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U.S. resuming ties with Syria, may offer aid to resettle the Bulge

Nixon in Jerusalem June 16-17

The U.S. President and Mrs. Nixon are to visit Israel on Sunday week, the Government announced yesterday.

The announcement of what is perhaps the most important visit in the State's history, said: "The Government of Israel takes pleasure in announcing that the President of the United States of America Mr. Richard M. Nixon on Sunday June 16... at the invitation of the Government of Israel. During his stay, Mr. Nixon will meet the President and the Prime Minister and other Government and national leaders." It said that President Nixon would leave the following day.

Mr. Nixon will be the first American President to visit Israel — and also the first to pay such a visit to Arab states. The visit was seen as having become possible after U.S. resumption of diplomatic relations with Egypt, and other Arab states which are included in his Middle East tour. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger will be accompanying Mr. Nixon.

Among topics expected to be discussed with President Nixon in Jerusalem are the next phase in the Geneva conference, expected to be between Israel and Egypt, and bilateral relations including economic, military and political aid — subjects which were discussed in Jerusalem with Dr. Kisinger during his recent Golan disengagement talks.

The Government announcement's reference to President Nixon meeting with national leaders implied a meeting with former Premier Golda Meir and possibly also with former Ministers Eban and Dayan.

Aside from his meeting with the new Premier, Yitzhak Rabin, and other Government leaders, Mr. Nixon and his wife Pat will be guests at a State banquet on Sunday night given by the President and Mrs. Nina Katzir in the Knesset banqueting hall. The American Presidential party will be staying overnight at Jerusalem's King David Hotel.

Mr. Nixon previously visited Israel — as a private citizen — in July 1967 — a month after the Six Day War. That visit could have provided him with background to the later Israel-Syrian disengagement issue, for he then visited the Golan Heights and was shown how the Syrians regularly bombarded Israel Galilee settlements below, until the 1967 capture of the Heights.

In 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt visited Cairo for a wartime summit meeting with Churchill and Chiang Kai-shek. On his way back from the Yalta summit in 1945, the warship carrying Roosevelt halted in the Suez Canal near Port Said, for a meeting aboard with Ibn Saud, who then was promised by Roosevelt that nothing would be decided on the future of Palestine without consulting the Arabs. But no American President has paid a visit to any Arab country since they attained independence.

The itinerary for President Nixon's Middle East trip as announced by the White House:

June 10 — leaves Washington for Salzburg, Austria, and two-day rest stop.

June 12-14 — Egypt, to confer with President Anwar Sadat.

June 14-15 — Saudi Arabia, King Faisal.

June 15-16 — Syria, President Assad Haffez.

June 16-17 — Israel, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and other leaders.

June 17-18 — Jordan, King Hussein.

June 18 — leaves for Washington.

U.N. Secretary-General Waldheim shakes hands with a member of the 40-man vanguard of the Peruvian force which gave him a guard of honour yesterday on his surprise visit to the Golan.

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Surveyors began making measurements yesterday for the new section of the road to be built to bypass the city of Kuneitra, which will revert to Syrian civilian rule. (Starphot)

IDF engineers prepare for next week's withdrawal

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

The army has started preparing units in the bulge area for withdrawal next week. Units from the engineering corps are expected to demolish military installations in the bulge area taken in the October War, and truck out ecess equipment.

It was possible to observe from Israel territory yesterday that Syrian villagers have started returning to their homes in villages along the perimeter of the bulge. Movement was noted at Kfar Shams, at the foot of Tel Antar, in the Southeastern corner of the Bulge — a village used by the Syrians for the past six months as an army base.

Joint Israel and U.N. teams will this week begin mapping out the precise demarcation of the new disengagement lines. The U.N. will also, in conjunction with Syrian and Israel military authorities, choose their observation points in the U.N. zone to be established between the two countries' lines.

Israel, it is understood, will demand a physical U.N. presence on the main axes running through the area, and at the entrance to villages which are to be reoccupied, so as to ensure that only civilians return, and that no heavy military equipment is infiltrated.

PoW swap in one go tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

The final exchange of war prisoners between Israel and Syria will take place early tomorrow morning. Two Red Cross planes will take off from Ben-Gurion and Damascus international airports simultaneously at 9 o'clock and both groups are expected to be on home territory an hour later.

A total of 56 Israeli prisoners of war will be arriving from Syria, and 383 Syrians, Moroccans and Iraqis will be leaving for Damascus.

The prisoners will be returned to each country in one group, and not in batches as during the Egyptian-Israel exchange earlier this year. The Arabs will either be flown to Damascus in a Boeing 747 jumbo jet hired by the Red Cross for the operation, or else in two smaller jets which will take off together. The Israelis will be returned in one plane.

In contrast to last week's exchange of wounded prisoners the 56 Israelis arriving home will be met by their families at the airport, and not at Tel Hashomer. Also welcoming them will be members of the Cabinet and Knesset, and senior military staff.

An exchange of prisoners between Israel and Lebanon is expected later this week, or early next. The Lebanese are holding two Israel pilots, while 13 Lebanese civilians, brought back from a raid into that country in April, are in detention in Israel.

Syria and the U.S. will reestablish full diplomatic relations before President Nixon's visit to the Middle East next week, the Syrian Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Abdel-Halim Kaddam, said in Damascus yesterday.

In Washington, the State Department said later that the U.S. is prepared to restore diplomatic ties with Syria whenever Syria is ready to do so. The statement followed the disclosure by Kaddam.

The two statements appeared to indicate that an announcement will be made either before or during Mr. Nixon's visit to Damascus, on June 15 and 16. Syria severed relations with the U.S. during the Six Day War.

The U.S. Secretary of State, Dr. Kissinger, said yesterday that America would consider giving aid to Syria to rebuild areas in the Golan Bulge held by Israel since last October.

The announcement on the decision to renew ties was not entirely unexpected. Syrian-U.S. relations warmed noticeably during Dr. Kissinger's 13 visits to Damascus last month, and both sides talked openly of further rapid improvement.

Observers here saw the announcement as a Syrian reward for Dr. Kissinger's success in promoting the disengagement agreement, even though this is seen by the Syrians as only the first step towards total Israeli withdrawal.

Syrian Foreign Minister Kaddam, speaking at a press conference, said Syria welcomed the visit by President Nixon.

Replying to a question on whether the U.S. leader should fear a "terrorist action" during his visit, Kaddam said Dr. Kissinger had visited Damascus more than 15 times and had always felt more at ease and secure there than anywhere else.

Asked whether the two Presidents would discuss specific topics, Kaddam said: "We believe that dialogues between states are beneficial, and a dialogue between President Nixon and President Assad will be useful in developing Syrian-American relations."

Asked about his Government's attitude towards curbing terrorist actions against Israel, Kaddam said: "There is no Arab government which is capable of preventing the Palestinian people from exercising their rights and means to achieve their legitimate, national goals."

Dr. Kissinger, in his statement on possible aid to Syria, told the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee that the Administration's $5,600m. Foreign Aid Bill included $100m. in a special fund for the Middle East. But Dr. Kissinger assured the committee [illegible] any aid commitments during his negotiations on the Golan disengagement.

"If this agreement is expedited, if civilians return (to the area held by Israel), we might consider a request by Syria for assistance," Dr. Kissinger said. "If a request is made, it would be studied in the context of the overall situation."

Committee members who questioned Dr Kissinger after he delivered his formal opening remarks congratulated him on his 32-day peace mission to the Middle East.

However, they reserved their questions about his mediating marathon for a closed executive session later.

Dr. Kissinger noted that the Administration's aid request included $350m. for Israel, about $207m. for Jordan, and $250m. in economic aid to Egypt, as well as the $100m. special fund.

He firmly resisted suggestions that aid to Egypt be made conditional on Israel access to the Canal.

"The whole evolution of Arab countries towards moderation could be jeopardised if too many restrictions are imposed on aid," Dr. Kissinger said. "They have a strong sense of independence."

(Reuter, AP, UP)

Security alert for anniversary of Six Day War

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Security forces have been placed on a maximum alert throughout the country, as well as along the frontiers, to prevent sabotage attempts today, the seventh anniversary of the Six Day War.

There were no reports yesterday of pre-emptive arrests as in previous years, but police and security patrols have been increased in the towns, and additional forces are patrolling the borders.

The police spokesman, Chief Superintendent Nahum Bosmi, has called on the public to be especially alert and to notify the police of any suspicious activities, or objects, such as bottles, wallets, transistor radios, cigarette cases and pens.

Mrs. Bosmi said that such objects found in public places should not be touched before the arrival of the police.

"Members of the public should not feel that they are imposing on the police, but should let us know whenever they have the slightest suspicion of hostile activity."

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Israel, Syria sign Geneva accord today

GENEVA. — Israel and Syria yesterday completed final documents on military disengagement and agreed to sign them today.

The documents include detailed maps laying out exact troop and weapon withdrawal lines and the buffer zone to be manned by UN forces. There were also agreements covering the prompt exchange of all remaining PoWs and the establishment of mixed commissions to search for the bodies of fallen soldiers in frontline areas.

Aluf Herzl Shafir of Israel and Brig.-Gen. Adnan Tayara of Syria agreed to sign the documents and maps at 11 a.m. today (Israel time).

They approved the final maps, prepared by a sub-committee on Monday at a two and one-quarter hour session yesterday at the Palais des Nations, the UN's European headquarters. The actual agreement was signed on Friday and the two delegations have been working ever since on the technical modalities of the disengagement progress. American and Soviet diplomats attended the meetings but did not intervene.

Sources said that agreement was easily reached within the five days ment negotiated by U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger "as both sides showed good will and a strong desire to succeed." *(UPI, JTA)*

Cabinet meets on Geneva talks

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Premier Yitzhak Rabin's new Cabinet held its first official session yesterday afternoon, and heard a report about the progress achieved in Geneva at the talks between the two military delegations on the disengagement of forces agreement with Syria.

The Cabinet also discussed the composition of its many committees, but took no final decisions.

Cabinet sources were noticeably tightlipped about any further details of the session. According to some reports, Premier Rabin has launched a campaign to cut down leaks from Cabinet sessions.

(Changing of the guard — Page 2)

'Israel has reached its ecological limit'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel — due to its absorption and development neds and its annual population increase — has reached the limit of its ecological possibilities. Knesset Ecology Committee chairman Yosef Tamir said this yesterday at a gathering at Beit Hanassi to mark International Environment Day, under the auspices of President Ephraim Katzir. (See Page 6).

Mr. Tamir said there was great neglect in Israel's environmental resources, such as water, air, countryside and beaches. But for the first time, he said, the country's leaders, press, young people and many industrial enterprises were taking an interest in ecological problems.

Rabinowitz sounds economic warning

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz began his new career yesterday morning with the ominous warning: "We shall have to take certain unpopular steps if we are to avoid major economic upheavals. The public must realize that mammoth outlays are still required to underwrite the nation's security."

He did not specify what "unpopular" measures would be required.

Mr. Rabinowitz's remarks came during a brief ceremony in his new office at the Kirya, at which Pinhas Sapir officially handed the ministry over to Mr. Rabinowitz.

Without going into details, he said future economic policy should be aimed at slashing private consumption, keeping a lid on wage increases, and generally arresting the rise in living standards.

Treasury Director-General Avraham Agmon praised his outgoing boss for his decades-long devotion to the Zionist cause and his exemplary leadership in the Treasury. He said Mr. Sapir had to steer the economy at a time when the Government spends IL130m. daily while collecting only IL70m. a day in taxes.

Arab aid not enough: Senghor

PARIS (UPI). — President Leopold Sedhar Senghor of Senegal said in an interview published yesterday black African countries will seek greater compensation from Arab oil states to offset increases in petroleum prices.

The Arab producer states promised compensation for ill effects on African balance of payments of the recent oil price increases. Senghor told "Le Monde" newspaper.

"This compensation has proved insufficient," Senghor said. "It is necessary to shake the Arabs. We will take up this question at the Organization of African Unity (OAU) and we will be vigorous about it.

UN chief visits Kuneitra

By YA'AKOV FRIEDLER

KUNEITRA. — U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, making a surprise visit to the new UN force on the Golan yesterday, said, "The disengagement agreement is encouraging, and the cooperation of both the Syrian and Israel authorities with the UN force a good sign. I appreciate it very much."

Dr. Waldheim, who interrupted his visit to Damascus to visit the men of the new UN Disengagement Observance Force (Undof), now being organised to take over the buffer zone between Syria and Israel, crossed the lines in the salient at 13.30 after motoring up from the Syrian capital — and inspecting Austrian units on the Syrian side. (A 29-man Austrian reconnaissance team arrived on Monday). In a small convoy of white UN cars and vans he drove straight to UN headquarters in Kuneitra. He met the commander of the new force, the Peruvian General Gonzalo Briceno, senior UN officers and the senior Israeli liaison officer.

He said in an interview that there was "no special significance" to his having come to the Golan from the Syrian side instead of making the visit from the Israeli side today. He had arrived in Damascus from Beirut yesterday morning and was to hold talks with President Assad on his return to Damascus after the Golan visit.

Waldheim's visit to Damascus, part of a 16-day tour of the Middle East and East Africa, was planned long before U.S. Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger started his marathon troop disengagement negotiations. He will fly today to Israel.

Waldheim met last night with Syrian Foreign Minister Abdel Halim Khaddam and later with President Hafez Assad.

After the two-hour meeting with Khaddam, Waldheim said they discussed the "new situation following the signing of the disengagement agreement. We exchanged viewpoints on the new situation, the political aspects of the problem and the role of the UN forces in the buffer zone.

The Secretary-General reported on his visit to Kuneitra, saying he was "very much saddened because the city is almost destroyed." *(UPI)*

The purpose of Waldheim's trip to the Golan was to discuss the role of the UN in the new buffer zone "on the spot with our people. To see the situation, and there are many details to clarify. I'm glad I can do so on the spot and this is certainly the right place to do so."

Asked how he considered the chances for peace, he said, "I think they are better. We are certainly gratified at the agreement between the two sides reached by Dr. Kissinger. This is encouraging. In ope the Geneva Conference will help us overcome the difficulties. It is clear that this will be a long process. But I think the political climate is better, and that is very important for the future talks.

Did he get the impression in Damascus that the Syrians now wanted peace as well. "I think so. Yes," the secretary-general aswered.

Did he think the cease-fire would hold? "I hope so," he answered "of course much will depend on the political talks in Geneva. I think we have to be aware that the Israel, Egypt and Syria are a beginning, a good beginning, and now we have to see what the Geneva Conference can bring. We can inly hope it will bring lasting and just peace." He added that he was "looking forward verym uch" to his talks with the Israeli authorities today.

The visit to the Golan lasted two hours, and immediately after the interview, Dr. Waldheim, drove to a vacant military camp in the southern outskirs of Kuneitra, which has been taken ober by the 40-man vanguard of the Peruvian force. He inspected the men, who drew up a guard of honour, with fixed bayonets, and congratulated their officer on their "fine looks." He was told that the rest of the 250-man Peruvian force was to arrive from Sinai last night. He told General Briceno that he was "glad you worked so fast; and I wish you success."

While Dr. Waldheim was inspecting the men and discussing their living quarter arrangements (in tents) with their commander, the brush and weeds surrounding the camp were being burned.

Dr. Waldheim said that before crossing the lines he had inspected an Austrian unit on the Syrian side. He said he expected that by the end of the week the whole force would be assembled and "fill the buffer zone with our troops." (Undof will increase to about 1,240 men over the next three weeks.) The Security Council has given a six-month mandate for the force the Council would have to make

Six Polish drivers are to join the UN force on the Israel side of the buffer one.

South of Kuneitra IDF surveyors are making measurements for an ew section of road that will have to be cut, to by pass the town, which is to revert to Syrian civilian rule. Explosions could be heard, caused by the blowing up of bunkers not worth.

Jerusalem visit

Dr. Waldheim is to spend today in Jerusalem, meeting with senior ministers and visiting the Untso headquarters at Government House.

He is to hold a working session with Foreign Minister Yigal Allon in the morning, and another with Premier Rabin, Mr. Allon and Defence Minister Shimon Peres in the afternoon. Dr. Waldheim will also call on Golda Meir and on President Katzir.

Terror at German soccer expected

BONN (JTA). — West German police expect terror attacks at the world soccer championships in June and July, according to a senior police official in Munich. "We can give no guarantee that there will be no repetition of the Olympic Games massacre," said Senior Police Director Franz Haimerl.

10 hurt as Jerusalem soccer fans break up match in Petah Tikva

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV.—Petah Tikva's police chief, two policemen and several Petah Tikva Hapoel footballers were among the 10 persons injured yesterday when hundreds of hooligans armed with bottles and iron poles invaded the Petah Tikva pitch just before the end of a State Cup semi-final return match against Jerusalem Betar.

Six of the injured were taken to Beilinson Hospital, which reported Petah Tikva Hapoel stopper Aharon Salem seriously hurt. Police last night announced the arrest of five men, and said more arrests were likely.

At the end of 90 minutes of play Jerusalem Betar were leading 2:1. As Petah Tikva Hapoel had won the first leg 1:0, an extra half time of play was ruled by referee Victor Na'aman. In this extra time, Petah Tikva Hapoel went ahead to 3:2 and appeared to be assuring their place in the Cup Final.

With three minutes to go — just after Moshe Schweitzer scored Petah Tikva's third goal — Jerusalem Betar supporters broke through the fence protecting the pitch, throwing bottles and stones and using the metal poles of the fences to hit out wildly. The 20 policemen on duty intercepted the hooligans; in the ensuing tussle Superintendent Eliyahu Najar, head of the Petah Tikva police, was hurt, along with two constables. One of the latter was hit in the face by a bottle and the other was stabbed.

Another casualty was referee Na'aman, who needed medical treatment. He and the players were taken off the field in police cars.

Police disarmed soldiers in the 6,000-man crowd, and later last night military police were called in to return the weapons to the soldiers. Nearly the entire crowd took part in the battle.

The Football Association's disciplinary committee was last night awaiting the report of the game from referee Na'aman. It will then decide whether yesterday's result stands.

If, as seems likely, it does stand, Petah Tikva Hapoel will meet Haifa Hapoel in the Cup Final on June 12.

In other games, Haifa Hapoel and Tel Aviv Maccabi last night drew 0:0 in Kiryat Haim. In the first match between the teams, Haifa Hapoel won 1:0.

Tel Aviv Maccabi last night did all the attacking but were held by the Haifa defence.

In two League "A" games played yesterday, Shimshon beat Safad Hapoel 1:0, and Kiryat Shmona Hapoel beat Nazareth Hapoel 2:0.

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Haifa Port	67	18—26	17—25
Tiberias	51	13—35	14—31
Nazareth	38	15—30	14—29
Afula	42	13—32	14—29
Shomron	32	17—29	16—26
Tel Aviv	58	16—26	16—24
B-G Airport	28	13—31	14—28
Jericho	24	16—36	16—33
Gaza	70	16—27	16—25
Beersheba	13	14—34	15—31
Eilat	7	20—40	18—38
Tiran Straits	34	27—33	25—36

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received a delegation of the Mitzpe Ramon Local Council led by the head of the council, Eliyahu Shapiro.

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Swedish Ambassador Sten A. Sundfeldt and Professor Wilhelm Paues, adviser of the Federation of Swedish Industries, yesterday met with Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev. They discussed trade relations between the two countries.

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Haim Klugman, senior assistant to the Attorney-General, was yesterday elected chairman of the Association of Lawyers in State and Public Service, for a four-year period.

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The Haifa Rotary Club will hold a business meeting at the Dan Carmel Hotel, at 1 o'clock today.

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Amos Kloner will lecture on the columbarium at Mareisha at 8 p.m. tomorrow at Beit Agron in Jerusalem.

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Alignment MK Eliezer Ronen and Likud MK Yitzhak Modai will debate "The disengagement agreement with Syria — achievement or failure," at this week's Vocal Newspaper at 9 p.m. Friday at Beit Ha'am in Jerusalem. Ya'acov Lamdan of Israel Television will moderate.

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Sir Frederick S. Dainton, chairman of the University Grants Committee, England, will speak on "Science: Salvation or Damnation" at a Professor Aharon Katzir Memorial Lecture at the National Academy of Sciences and Humanities and the Van Leer Jerusalem Foundation, 43 Rehov Jabotinsky, Jerusalem, next Monday, June 10, 1974, at 6.15 p.m. The public is invited.

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An exhibition of photographs by Meir Ohed on "Experiences of Soldiers at the Fronts" is being held at the Journalists Association at Beit Agron in Jerusalem. Visiting hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays.

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COLBI-AVIVI — Michal, daughter of Leah and Dr. Shaul Colbi, to Eitan Avivi.

ARRIVALS

Gerald Rothschild, managing director, and Vivian Prins, director, I. Honnig and Co. Ltd., a London-based diamond brokerage firm, for the dedication of their new office building in Ramat Gan.

DEPARTURES

Pinhas Sapir, chairman-designate of the Jewish Agency, for the U.S., for talks with Administration officials about financial aid for Israel

S. Bergman, deputy medical director for care of the aged, JDC/Malben, and chairman of the Israel Gerontological Society, to Nuremberg, to address the annual congress of the German Gerontological Society (by Lufthansa).

Intercontinental building three hotels in Russia

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Intercontinental Hotels Corporation this week became the first Western hotel company to operate in the Soviet Union. The corporation's agents in Jerusalem yesterday announced an agreement with the Soviet Government for the construction of a hotel in each of Russia's three largest cities.

The agreement with the Soviet Government was signed in Moscow on Sunday by Intercontinental in association with the Swedish construction company of Skanska, which will build the hotels.

Largest of the three will be a 2,000-room hotel in Leningrad, with a 1,500-room hostelry scheduled for Moscow and one of 800 rooms in Kiev.

Intercontinental is also the only *Western hotel company with members* operating in Eastern Europe. It has franchise agreements with hotels in Budapest, Bucharest, Warsaw and Zagreb (Yugoslavia).

Intercontinental said its hotels in the Soviet Union might be open as early as the spring of 1977.

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Labour still hopes to bring NRP back

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Premier Yitzhak Rabin and his Labour Party are intent on bringing the National Religious Party into the coalition, authoritative party circles said yesterday.

The circles believe that only by renewing the historic partnership between the two parties can the survival of the Rabin government be assured. They also want to maintain a suitable balance between the various political schools of thought in future policy-making. It was hoped that the Likud-leaning youth circles of the NRP would not push that party into the Likud's camp, so as to make an NRP-Alignment rapprochement an impossibility.

There are hopes inside Labour that the skeleton framework of the opposition bloc already brought into being by the Likud, the NRP and the Aguda Bloc will not last long. The Labour Alignment is concerned that such a large opposition bloc may hamper the orderly operations of the Knesset committees. Under the new coalition-opposition set-up, some Knesset committees are evenly balanced between both sides, and the opposition even controls a majority in some others. The Government's razor-edge majority requires maximum mobilization of coalition MKs lest the opposition bring down the Cabinet by default in a snap vote. It is understood that Premier Rabin is holding back the appointment of deputy ministers, so as not to reduce the number of MKs available for voting in the plenum.

NRP sources last night acknowledged that feelers were being put out to them from the Alignment. They felt that some time would have to elapse before any move was made, and that no new developments could be expected until after the visits of UN Secretary-General Waldheim and U.S. President Nixon.

Meanwhile, speculation has been begun about the cabinet seat still available in the Labour Party (Mapai) quota, with talk that it would be given to either a woman or to a Sephardi. The Party's women circles would like to see MK Esther Herlitz in the Cabinet. Two names are being mentioned for the Sephardi minister — either Haifa MK Moshe Shahal or Israel Ambassador to Rome Moshe Sasson — son of the late Police Minister, Eliyahu Sasson.

Wertman is Labour whip

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Alignment Knesset faction last night unanimously elected Moshe Wertman of its ex-Mapai wing as faction chairman and thus automatically as chief Coalition whip. He replaces Moshe Baram, whe was appointed Minister of Labour in Premier Yithak Rabin's new Cabinet.

Mr. Wertman, in his acceptance speech, warned his fellow faction members that they would have to work doubly hard to make the slender Coalition majority (61 votes) effective in the plenum and in the committees. They would have to submerge *their factional differences.* too, Mr. Wertman said.

The faction finally agreed to set up a new 16-man executive for the 54-man faction, composed of eight from the Mapai wing, two from Ahdut Ha'avoda, two from Rafi, three from Mapam, and one from the Arab-affiliated parties. The executive decided to set up parliamentary advice bureaus in all the cities, Wertman said.

Eban likely to accept Labour post

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Abba Eban is likely to become Secretary-General of the Labour Party. His candidacy — still unofficial — is supported by Pinhas Sapir and the other leaders of ex-Mapai, and they are pressing Mr. Eban to accept the post.

The ex-Foreign Minister has asked for time to consider the idea — but he is reliably learned to be inclined to take it.

He will accept on condition that he is not opposed, but is voted in unanimously. The Mapai leadership is expected to be able to arrange this without difficulty.

Mr. Eban plans to take a two-month holiday now and will not take up his new post until the late summer.

Sources close to Mr. Eban denied reports yesterday that he might still be prevailed upon to enter the new Cabinet as a minister without portfolio. Having ridiculed the large number of portfolio-less ministers and minister-less portfolios, Mr. Eban is hardly likely now to add to that number, the sources said.

'Three-quarters of Congress back Israel'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel has the staunch support of at least three quarters of the U.S. Congress — "disregarding what administration is in power." This was stated by Congressman Bertram L. Podell, *Democrat from Brooklyn, speaking at* the ZOA House on Monday, on the eve of his return to the U.S. He was here on one of his frequent visits, finding this time "an exemplary courage of spirit" in Israel.

Mr. Podell said that Assistant Secretary of State Joseph Sisco was right in stating that the Palestinian issue needed "a definition and a solution." However, "Mr. Sisco did not say what the definitions were," he added.

If the House of Representatives is faced with the issue of impeachment, Mr. Podell said, "I would vote for it." The reason was "not the Watergate affair — after all, one cannot expect a president to call the police against overzealous personnel acting without his knowledge but in his benefit. The dangerous implication of the affair for democracy is that the President seems to be trying to rule as a one-man government," he said. Mr. Nixon's spectacular achievements in *foreign policy* were, however, much praised, Mr. Podell said.

In Mr. Podell's view, Senator Jackson had the best chances to become the Democratic Party nominee for presidential election. "Henry Jackson is solid, dependable, with practically no charisma — just the type people want and need, today," he said.

THE MIVTAHIM rest home in Zichron Ya'acov has made its facilities available to the PoWs returning from Syria, the director said yesterday. PoWs who returned from Egypt also stayed there.

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VEHICLE REGISTRATION fees in Gaza and North Sinai have been raised to the level paid in Israel. The order, issued by the military government, takes effect as of April 1; the previous fee was much lower.

Civil rights bill to 1st reading

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Basic Law: Human and Civil Rights — a 20-point document designed as a "Bill of Rights" for the Israeli, which would eventually become part of the emergent constitution — was taken up yesterday by the Knesset on its first reading.

The draft was prepared by a permanent subcommittee of the Law Committee, chaired by Binyamin Halevi (Likud).

Dr. Halevi said in his two-and-a-half-hour presentation (almost a Knesset record for length) that one innovation in the bill was the intention of protecting civil rights against the legislative arm, not only against the executive. The Knesset would be restricted in its future law-making by being prevented from passing legislation which contravened the Basic Law, he said.

However, the Basic Law would not have primacy over other legislation as yet, Dr. Halevi explained.

No absolute majority would be required to amend the Basic Law — as it was, for instance, in the case of electoral laws.

The various sections of the Basic Law: Human and Civil Rights cover such matters as freedom of profession, movement, association, contract, assembly, expression, and worship. The Basic Law does not detract from the validity of any legislation enacted previously.

Speakers in the debate expressed various degrees of dissatisfaction with the Basic Law. Zalman Shoval (Likud) said it denied women proper protection. Leon Ditzian (Likud) said the Basic Law was so easy to amend or circumvent that its value was questionable. Menahem Porush (Aguda) said it was totally un-Jewish and could cause national disunity.

The Likud's Yoram Eridor charged that civil right were being abused by the military censorship. It had no right to prohibit publication of Likud warnings earlier this year that the Egyptians were advancing their missiles in Sinai, Eridor said.

Aloni wants role in helping deprived youth

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Citizens Rights Knesset faction yesterday called on Premier Yitzhak Rabin to give its leader, Minister without Portfolio Shulamit Aloni, a key role in implementing the recommendations of the Katz Committee on Disadvantaged Youth (appointed by former Premier Golda Meir).

The CRM faction justified its demand by the long experience of Mrs. Aloni in handling social problems. The anticipated developments in the economy and their repercussions for the disadvantaged sectors of society make it all the more urgent to give priority to this field, the faction said.

The CRM also demanded that Premier Rabin make Mrs. Aloni chairman of the committee of ministers to reform the Government's departmental structure and promote efficiency in the administration (which Premier Rabin referred to in his presentation statement in the Knesset on Monday).

Mrs. Aloni already became a target yesterday for opposition probing — after her traditional role, needling the powers-that-be, ended with her joining the Cabinet. Yigal Horowitz of the Likud (State list) tabled Mrs. Aloni's first parliamentary question, asking her what she planned to do in the Government, how big her bureau would be; how numerous her staff, and how much her annual budget was likely to be.

Agricultural reporters holding congress here

Agricultural journalists from 18 countries, in Israel for the 18th congress of the International Fede*ration of Agricultural Journalists,* yesterday toured the Old City of Jerusalem, Bethlehem and the settlements in the Etzion block.

The Congress, which opened the day before in Jerusalem's Beit Agron, has brought together 150 journalists, including, for the first time, a representative from Turkey.

Tributes were delivered at the opening session to the memory of Ted Lurie, late editor and general manager of The Jerusalem Post, and to his loneering contribution to Israeli journalism.

Golda Meir raises a toast to her successor, Premier Yitzhak Rabin, in an informal changing of the guard at the Prime Minister's Office in Jerusalem yesterday. (Emka)

Ministries handed over

Golda toasts Rabin; Eban goes, Allon in

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Golda Meir transfered the Prime Minister's Office to the new Premier, Yitzhak Rabin, at a brief ceremony yesterday morning. All the staff assembled to hear the outgoing Premier praise the new incumbent and drink a toast to the health of both leaders.

Mr. Rabin recalled his time as Chief of Staff during the waiting period before the Six Day War, when he had sought out two people outside the government to consult with and draw encouragement from: David Ben-Gurion and Golda Meir.

At the Foreign Ministry, the outgoing and incoming ministers did not meet. Mr. Eban, in a farewell gathering, told his staff that the outgoing government had "bequathed to its successor a favourable basis for international progress. The disengagement agreements should enable us to consolidate existing friendships and to win back some that were eroded by the war and the oil pressures...

"As one whose voice will not be heard... I wish you all a succesful continuation of the new era of our diplomacy — an era opened up by the retiring government which will be known by historians as the government of recovery, victory and dialogue."

Mr. Eban then gathered his personal effects and left.

Yigal Allon arrived later in the morning and met with the staff. His tenure began with a huge, good-natured laugh when he addressed the gathering as "members of the Ministry of Education and Culture."

Mr. Allon called for the staff's help and cooperation in the major tasks which he said lay ahead of the ministry. He stressed particularly the need for Israel to maintain *its political pressure on behalf of* Soviet and Syrian Jews who wished to leave their countries.

Messrs. Allon and Eban are due to met later this week to discuss the affairs of the ministry. Mr. Eban wrote to Mr. Allon that he would be available for such a meeting — and Mr. Allon responded positively. Sources close to Mr. Eban said the meeting was not planned as a political reconciliation between the two men after Eban's harsh public criticism of Allon's behaviour during the cabinet-making period.

During the day Mr. Rabin handed over the reins he so briefly held at the Labour Ministry to his successor there, Moshe Baram. The new Prime Minister took the occasion *to remark, "I can't say I'm particu*larly sorry to be going on to another job, but being at the Ministry did give me a chance to look at what's going on in the country from a different angle."

Both Mr. Rabin and Mrs. Meir have received messages from West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, one congratulating the new Premier on his election and expressing the wish for continued cooperation between their two countries, and the *other paying tribute to the former* Premier's achievements "in regard to the State of Israel and understanding between the Israeli and German peoples."

Allon hands 'nation's future' over to Yadlin

By BERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The new Foreign Minister, Yigal Allon, yesterday morning handed over his former job as Education Minister to Aharon Yadlin in a brief ceremony at Jerusalem's Van Leer Foundation, attended by most the senior ministry officials.

Mr. Allon said he did not consider the move to the Foreign Ministry a promotion, "since the Education Ministry deals with the nation's future and heart — its youth and its cultural life."

Mr. Yadlin said that in coming back to the Education Ministry he *was returning to his first love.* He had been deputy minister from 1964-1971, mostly under the late Zalman Aranne. Coming from a family of educators, Mr. Yadlin has been involved in education and youth work most of his life.

Stating his educational credo, Mr. Yadlin said that education is always directed at developing the individual, while at the same time being based on social considerations. "There can be no social action without sound educational underpinnings," he said. All education includes the duty to train youth to ethical and social values, he added.

Mr. Yadlin extolled the teacher as the "real hero of the drama of education." He quoted the late Minister Aranne, who defined education as "a nation's last defence in depth."

Mr. Yadlin praised Mr. Allon for strengthening early childhood education, raising the status of teachers and teacher colleges, and always remaining open to new ideas.

Mr. Allon is taking his bureau director, Haim Bar-On, and his political adviser, Eliyahu Hasin, with him to the Foreign Ministry.

Ashkelon bars new apartments without trees

ASHKELON. — The local town planning committee this week denied a Housing Ministry request to build 500 flats in the southern part of town on ecological grounds.

Complaints were heard at the committee meeting against the Ministry, because it had not kept promises to plant a 30-metre-wide "green belt" to separate the southern quarter of the town from the *tank farm at the nearby fuel port.*

The belt of trees was suggested by environmental experts from the Technion as a solution to the problem of gas odours. These waft into the area proposed for the flats, from the tank *farm especially* during a *hamsin.* The experts also determined the minimum distance which needed to be kept between the southernmost flats and the port.

A year after the passing of our beloved

THEODORE BEN AMAR ז"ל

a Memorial Service will be held tomorrow, Thursday, June 6, 1974 at four in the afternoon. Friends and relatives will meet at the New (South) Cemetery, Ashkelon.

Ruth, Gidon and Gilad

IN MEMORIAM
In loving memory of our dear brother
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Ted Lurie to be buried tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The remains of Ted Lurie, Editor of *The Jerusalem Post,* who died last Saturday in Tokyo after having suffered a stroke, will arrive this morning at Ben-Gurion Airport accompanied by his wife Tzila and youngest daughter Yael. He will be buried on Thursday at Har Hamenuhot in Jerusalem.

The funeral will leave at 4 p.m. from *The Jerusalem Post* building in Romema. Friends and colleagues will be able to pass by the bier from 3 o'clock.

The stream of condolence messages from Israel and abroad kept up for the third day yesterday, with expressions of sympathy by former Foreign Minister and Mrs. Abba Eban and by *Minister of Interior and Police* Shlomo Hillel heading the list.

Algar von Heiroth, the Finnish Ambassador and Dean of the Diplomatic Corps wrote: "We all feel deeply the great loss your paper and the Israeli press as a whole has suffered with the death of your editor, Ted Lurie. For many of us he had become a good and reliable friend, and the paper which he directed with so much sound judgment and perception quite naturally became the leading daily source of enlightened information for the Diplomatic Corps in Israel."

Expressing his shock at Ted Lurie's untimely passing, Japanese Ambassador Kazuhide Komuro writes that the "profound feelings of regret occasioned by the loss of such a distinguished international personality and outstanding journalist, who was a great friend of my country, are fully shared not only by the people in Israel, but also by all the people in Japan."

German Ambassador Jesco von Puttkamer mourns the loss of "such a professionally outstanding and humanly wonderful personality." U.S. Consul-General in Jerusalem Arthur Day recalls Lurie's personal acquaintance for decades with the U.S. Consulate General and mourns the loss to Jerusalem's community.

More messages arrived yesterday from the international press community. The chairman and director of the International Press Institute and its executive board, to which Ted Lurie had been elected three weeks ago at the IPI annual assembly in Kyoto, sent a condolence message from Zurich. The chairman of the American IPI committee, Bill Block, wrote: "Having been with Ted Lurie at Kyoto and on the IPI tour in Japan, we are shocked at the news of his untimely death. He was a man of intelligence, integrity, charm and humour."

Amitabha Chowdhury, director of the Press Foundation of Asia, cabled from Manila heartfelt condolences of the officers and members of the PFA, expressing their grief over the sudden passing of Ted Lurie, "a brilliant, professional journalist."

Gerry Long, general manager and managing director of Reuter in London, wrote: "Ted's death is a very heavy loss to international journalism. He had the respect and affection of all who knew him. He will be sadly missed."

Erol Guiney, Israel bureau chief of Agence France Presse, mourns the untimely death of a "great editor, a fine journalist and a kind man."

Ken Sher, *Jerusalem Post* staffer who is on a Jewish Agency mission in the U.S., deeply grieves the loss of Ted Lurie, who was "much more than a boss to us. We will miss him."

VIPs must set example in road safety

Public figures must serve as personal examples in combating lawlessness on the roads, the chairman of the National Council for the Prevention of Road Accidents, Judge Shlomo Lowenberg, said yesterday. He was speaking to the 150 members of the Council gathered at the President's office in Jerusalem to mark the 20th year of the Council's activities.

Nitzav Meir Novik, head of the police branch of the organization, said that in the first nine months of 1973 there had been a 16.8 per cent rise in the number of road accidents as compared with the corresponding period for 1972.

President Katzir welcomed the citizen volunteers on the council and promised to support the group's activities as did the presidents before him. He said it was hard to simply accept the fact that hundreds were killed on the roads each year.

At the end of the meeting prizes were awarded to the winners of the Careful Driver Competition for 1973. Alan Karpas of Jerusalem won a Ford Escort, and 10 other drivers won IL2,000 each.

Judge Lowenberg awarded the President a IL50 prize for being a careful driver himself. The President doubled the amount and donated it on the spot to the council. (Itim)

Driver burns to death in collision

A truck driver was burned to death, and six other persons were seriously injured, in two road collisions yesterday — each of them caused by careless overtaking.

The truck driver, as yet unidentified, had been driving a Peugeot pickup truck bearing licence number 720-963 southward on the Sharon road. Near Moshav Nordiya he swung off the road to overtake another car and crashed head-on into a fuel tanker. The Peugeot driver was burned to death in his vehicle; the driver of the tanker, Ya'acov Pinsker of Moshav Halonim, escaped the flames.

In the South six men were seriously injured and others moderately hurt when a Public Works Department tender collided at 7 a.m. with a private truck three kilometres south of Ofakim. All the injured — eight of them PWD workers — were taken to Beersheba Soroka Medical Centre.

THE WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS will sponsor 22 scholarships for secondary school students from development towns, Yitzhak Korn, chairman of the Israel branch, announced this week. The scholarships will commemorate the victims of the Ma'alot massacre.

We mourn Ted's death and extend deepest condolences to Tzila and the girls.

Alec and Dassah Aylat
Jacob and Vi Rycus
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Ex-staffers, The Jerusalem Post

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and The Jerusalem Post

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To Mrs. LURIE and Family

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our deep grief on the passing away of our dear friend

TED LURIE

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The two terrorists, shortly after their capture on Monday. (I.P.P.A.)

Planned to shoot into a crowd

Two terrorists caught at police roadblock

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. — Two terrorists who infiltrated from Lebanese territory on a mass murder mission were captured Monday, the Army announced yesterday. The two are Mahmud Rashid Shehada and Jamil Mustafa Diab, both 18, former residents of Majdal Krum, near here. They crossed the border near Adamit, along with three others who managed to escape back to Lebanon.

Once inside the country the two former Israeli Arabs were to hire a cab in an Arab village and go to Haifa or Nahariya. The three others were to cover them to engage Israeli troops in case of an encounter, and then to withdraw back to Lebanon.

The two terrorists — in civilian clothes and carrying innocent-looking suitcases — got as far as Fassouta, not far from the border. They found a cab there and asked the driver to take them first to the Druse village of Beit Jann and from there to Haifa or Nahariya. However, they ran into a police roadblock on the Fassouta-Tarshiha road.

They first expressed surprise that they, "Israeli Arabs on their way to work," were being held up needleasly. But when their suitcases were opened, their firearms, handgrenades, ammunition, food and first-aid kit were found.

The two men were taken for interrogation to the nearest police station and admitted that their plan had been to drive into town and to open fire in the most crowded area they could find, to achieve a maximum number of casualties. They said they were aware that they would probably not emerge alive from such an undertaking and had therefore decided to pay a farewell visit to their families first.

Shehada was born in Majdal Krum and his father still lives there. One of his brothers ran away to Lebanon several years ago. But he returned, was tried and convicted, served his sentence and has been a law-abiding citizen since then.

The second terrorist, Diab, also lived in Majdal Krum. His father died several years ago and his mother remarried.

Neither of the two young men completed school. They worked intermittently in Jewish settlements nearby. Their fellow villagers described them as poorly educated and shifty.

They ran away to Lebanon last September. Their families did not learn that they had joined the terrorists until this incident, it was learned.

Meanwhile, Itim reports that the Fatah terrorist who gave himself up two weeks ago will be charged with illegal entry, membership in a hostile organization and attempted sabotage when he is brought to trial on completion of his interrogation.

Hassan Ali Hassan, 18, was born in Haifa and crossed into Lebanon about four years ago. He joined al-Fatah and infiltrated back into Israel on a "suicide mission" last month, but then changed his mind and gave himself up. The other members of his group returned to Lebanon without carrying out their mission. *(Itim)*

'War casualties' status urged for Ma'alot victims

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — A request that the children murdered by terrorists at Ma'alot last month be included in the official list of war casualties has been submitted to Defence Minister Shimon Peres by Mayor Aharon Nahmias of Safad. The mayor was acting on behalf of the children's parents.

The parents also told the mayor they wanted to see the report of the Horev inquiry committee, set up to investigate the disaster, before its publication. They are reportedly concerned that the report might exonerate those whom they consider guilty of negligence in the security arrangements for the school Gadna outing.

A scholarship fund in memory of the Ma'alot victims was announced yesterday by Yitzhak Korn of the Jewish Agency Executive. Every year, 22 children from border settlements and offspring of the Ma'alot survivors will each receive a IL1,000 grant for their education.

In another local tragedy, Eli Ben-Abu, 14, who was killed while playing with a shell detonator at his school on Monday, was buried yesterday at a funeral attended by hundreds of his classmates and local residents.

Yesterday Education Ministry Director-General Eliad Peled announced that it had been decided to renew school trips, with improved safety procedures. Mr. Peled told the National Parents Council it had also been decided that private children's camps to be run this summer are to be protected by hired guards.

A ministerial committee is also studying the possibility of making service in the new civil guard compulsory if the volunteer turnout proves inadequate.

THREE ARMED MEN stole IL10,000 and petrol coupons from the petrol station at the Givat Olga-Hadera intersection on the Tel Aviv-Haifa road late Saturday night. It took the attendants an hour and a half to inform the police because the robbers had cut their phone line.

British MPs urge Soviets to let Jews emigrate

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

British Member of Parliament Hugh Dykes (Conservative, Harrow East) yesterday called on the Soviet Union to "respond to the principles of elementary human justice and grant exit visas to those people who have been waiting for months and even years for permission to leave."

Mr. Dykes is chairman of the British All-Party Parliamentary Committee for the Release of Soviet Jews. He made the appeal at the conclusion yesterday of a week-long fact-finding visit here, accompained by fellow MPs and committee members Greville Janner (Labour), Ernie Money (Cons.), and Phillip Goodheart (Con.).

During their stay the visitors inspected absorption centres, met about 70 recent Russian immigrants, and were briefed by senior Government officials. They said they received dozens of appeals for help from Soviet immigrants whose relatives are still refused exit permits or who are in jail.

Mr. Janner said that he and his colleagues were thrilled to meet face to face with people for whose release they had worked, but who until now had been only "voices at the other end of a telephone line (London-Moscow) or faces in case-history photographs." He added, "Now that the shadows have turned into reality and friendships," the committee members would go back to their work greatly refreshed. The committee determined to study every request for help from relatives of people still in Russia and of Prisoners of Zion and will not cease its efforts until they are all in Israel, he added.

Mr. Janner said that, as far as he knew, Prime Minister Harold Wilson would not attend the performance of the Bolshoi Ballet in London next month. "I shall be present; not inside the hall, but outside, demonstrating," he announced.

Theft charge dropped against Netivei Neft man

TEL AVIV. — Charges of stealing equipment from the Government's Netivei Neft oil company were yesterday ordered dropped from the indictment against Daniel Kimchi, head of the Government-owned Magal company and former deputy director of Netivei Neft. But Kimchi, 54, will still have to answer charges of fraud and breach of trust regarding his dealings with the Defence Ministry.

Judge Daniel Khalima dropped the charge after accepting the defence contention that the prosecution had failed to prove its theft case. The judge ruled that the evidence showed the Netivei Neft equipment lent to Magal had been returned. Mr. Kimchi, due to his position in the two companies, had been within his rights in making the transfer of equipment.

However, the court ruled that Kimchi and co-defendant Shmuel Hartzfeld will still have to answer charges of conspiring in 1968 to defraud the Defence Ministry. Earth-moving equipment they bought without bidding from the ministry in 1968, ostensibly for Magal, allegedly went instead to a Tel Aviv contractor. *(Itim)*

Lions Int'l to meet in J'lem next November

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A convention of Lions International clubs in Asia and Africa that was postponed last November because of the war is now scheduled to take place in Jerusalem on November 30. Lions International, with one million members in 150 countries, is dedicated to community service and welfare.

The Lions of Israel are organized in 15 clubs which held their 14th annual conference Monday and yesterday at the Zion Hotel. District Governor Michael Haft said that during the October war Lions members past military service age, and their wives, were engaged in welfare work for the soldiers, transporting them in their private cars, serving at improvised refreshment booths, and raising funds, gifts and equipment for hospitals and convalescence homes.

The conference also prepared for Israel's participation in the Lions International Convention in San Francisco next month, to be attended by 45,000 delegates. The Israel delegation is to invite Lions members throughout the world to visit Israel in groups next year.

Dispute over deputy mayoralty

Lipkin, State List member of T.A. coalition, quits

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The State List's sole City Council member, Haim Lipkin, has resigned from the municipal coalition and quit the Likud faction in protest over the refusal of Mayor Shlomo Lahat to appoint him deputy mayor. The State List's action does not endanger Mr. Lahat's Likud-led coalition, as it still comprises 18 of the 31 Municipal Council members, excluding Mr. Lipkin.

In his letter of resignation to Mayor Lahat, Mr. Lipkin said, in effect, that the State List had been ignored both by the Likud and by the municipal administration.

Mr. Lipkin had also demanded chairmanship of three municipal companies and that he be authorized to appoint members of all other companies. Municipal circles have termed this request "strange," since "no City Council member, including the Mayor, has so many chairmanships; and no one has the absurd power of appointing members to all companies."

His chief demand, for a deputy mayorship, was advanced soon after the elections last winter; but, after the intervention of national Likud leaders Menahem Begin and Elimelech Rimalt, it was agreed to shelve the question for the time being.

Mr. Lahat's objection was that, if he gave in to Mr. Lipkin's demand, other proportionately stronger coalition partners would also demand more deputy mayors. Mr. Lahat has stated that he has no intention of having nine deputies as did his predecessor, Yehoshua Rabinowitz. There are at present six deputy mayors: two from the Likud (one Herut, one Liberal), two from the before the Likud National Ex-ILP, and two from the NRP.

The problem is likely to come up before the Likud national executive. Authoritative Likud sources told *The Jerusalem Post* they hoped Mr. Lipkin would reconsider his decision to quit the coalition.

THE DAN BUS cooperative started a new line on Sunday — No. 3 — that will connect Jaffa, Tel Kabir and Kiryat Shalom with the central bus station in Tel Aviv.

Council on social problems

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An advisory council on social problems is to be set up to function alongside the new ministerial committee on social welfare. The decision in principle to set up the council was taken by the Cabinet Monday — the last act of the outgoing Golda Meir Cabinet.

The Premier herself proposed the establishment of the council. She said the old Cabinet had no power to impose its decision on the new. But she was certain Mr. Rabin's Government would implement this important and necessary decision.

The ministerial committee is to be headed by Police Minister Shlomo Hillel, under an agreement between him and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. The ministerial committee will appoint the members of the advisory council and define its functions.

T.A. to review relocation of special school

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A dispute over the relocation of a school for retarded children flared up again yesterday as both parents and teachers took action against the Tel Aviv Municipality.

Parents of pupils at the Netzah Yisrael school demonstrated at City Hall and dispersed only when Mayor Shlomo Lahat promised to re-examine the decision to move the school into the former Yosef Haglili School. There were no classes at Netzah Yisrael yesterday, as teachers staged a one-day warning strike.

The parents and teachers want the school moved into the building that formerly housed the Dubnov School, which the City has earmarked for a junior high school under the Education Ministry's school-reform plan. They object to the alternative site proposed by the City, the Yosef Haglili School building, for fear of friction between Netzah Yisrael's 140 retarded youngsters and the normal children at the elementary school next door.

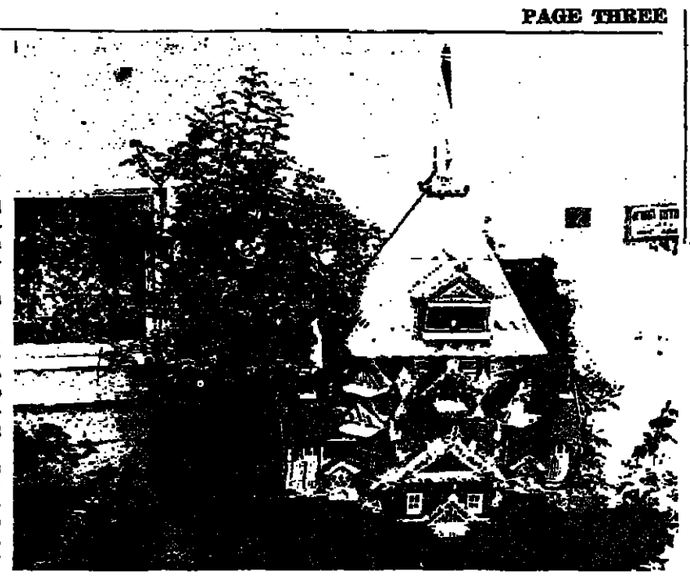
Poll: majority 'satisfied' with new Government

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The latest Dahaf poll indicates that a majority of the public is satisfed with the new Government. Of those questioned, 56.9 per cent said they were satisfied with the formation of the new Government, 38.3 per cent were dissatisfied and 4.8 per cent had no clear opinion.

The poll embraced 500 telephone subscribers in the three main cities, indicating general trends of public opinion.

To another question, 56.6 per cent said they would like the National Religious Party to join the new Government, 38.8 per cent were against and 4.6 per cent did not know. The breakdown of those favouring the NRP inside the coalition was: 18.7 per cent favoured co-opting the NRP even if it involved dropping Shulamit Aloni's Citizens' Rights Movement, 32 per cent spoke of amending the "Who is a Jew" issue, and 5.9 per cent wanted the NRP in unconditionally.



The "unlicensed structure." (I.P.P.A.)

Officials want to destroy Haifa garden attraction

HAIFA. — How small does a miniature palace have to be in order to escape the bureaucrat's desire to destroy what he has not authorized to be built? This question has been exercising the local courts, the Haifa City Engineer's office, art lovers and landscape architects for the past several months.

The palace in question, of wood, towers a full 1.8 metres over an ornamental fishpond on the grounds of number 2 Sderot Hanassi here, not far from the Dan Carmel Hotel. Both palace and fishpond are part of a tropical garden which a resident of number 2, Mordechai Alexandroni, has created with the consent of the other families in the building. The garden, which is full of rare and beautiful plants, has become a major Haifa attraction.

Recently a demolition order was issued against the palace and the pool, on the grounds that they constitute illegal structures.

The municipal art adviser, Gershon Knispel, came to the site at Mr. Alexandroni's request and ruled that the structures were merely decorations. The Society for a Beautiful Israel, landscape architects and others have written Mayor Yosef Almogi in defence of the decorations (or structures), but so far to no avail.

The City is awaiting further expert opinion before taking action. *(Itim)*

Nine deportation orders signed

Nine deportation orders have been issued by the Interior Ministry against foreign nationals who have broken the law, mostly for possession of drugs.

The ministry spokesman noted that deportation orders would be issued in similar cases in future, regardless of whether or not the Law of Return applied to the foreign citizen. Government ministries were especially cracking down on drug offenders, he said.

Among the deportees are five men who worked at the Arad Chemicals plant and who are suspected of possession of dangerous drugs. They are William Phillips, Paul Rudensky, Mark Gelbman, David Bevan, and Clifford Hannes.

The others are Jacques Grumbaud of France, charged with rape and possession of stolen property; Jan Westmaas of Holland, who was sentenced to 25 days in jail for possession of drugs; William Gaily of Canada, who was sentenced to 10 days in jail for disorderly conduct and remaining in the country illegally; and Jacques Techsterman of Peru, who was sentenced to seven days in jail for loitering at Ben-Gurion Airport and is also suspected of laying a charge which exploded in the courtyard of the Beersheba police station.

Danish sex expert coming

COPENHAGEN (JTA). — Israel has invited Danish sex education expert Henrik Hoffmeyer to speak at the Second International Congress on Sex Education to be held in Tel Aviv at the end of the month. Dr. Hoffmeyer will give survey on the success and progress of sex education in Denmark.

The three-day conference, due to take place from June 24 to June 26, is being organized by the Israel Society for Sex Education, under the auspices of the Ministry of Education.

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Yosef denounces letter bomb to Rabbi Goren

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef yesterday expressed his "sharp revulsion" at the letter bomb attempt against Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren in Tel Aviv on Monday. Rabbi Yosef's reaction was published in a brief statement issued by his spokesman.

Meanwhile, the police have reported no progress in their investigation of the incident. The letter, addressed to Rabbi Goren, proved to contain an explosive charge after Mrs. Goren, who started opening it, became suspicious and called the police.

The letter reportedly contained a note linking the bomb with Rabbi Goren's having "started up" with Rabbi Yosef.

Vatican prefect calls on Zadok

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Cardinal Paul Phillipe, Prefect of the Oriental Churches in the Vatican, yesterday paid a courtesy call on Haim Zadok, Justice Minister and Minister for Religious Affairs, at the Justice Ministry in Jerusalem.

The Cardinal, whose rank is equivalent to that of a minister at the Vatican, is in Israel as part of a tour of churches in the area within his jurisdiction. These comprise the Catholic-affiliated churches which have local patriarchates in the Middle East, including the Maronites, the Greek Catholics and the Syrian Catholics.

The Cardinal was accompanied by Archbishop Pio Laghi, the Apostolic Delegate. Present were Zvi Terlo, Director-General of the Justice Ministry, and Michael Pragai, director of the Church Relations Division at the Foreign Affair Ministry.

Driver's licence forgers in diploma business as well

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A large forgery ring, specializing in producing Soviet driver's licences, has branched out into the diploma field as well, according to the police.

Sgan-Nitzav Binyamin Siegel of the Investigations Department at National Police Headquarters told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that, although a number of persons had been arrested, the ring was still functioning. The going price for a forged Russian driver's licence is about IL2,000. It runs to about IL10,000 for a forged medical, engineering or economics diploma, he said.

According to the law, a new immigrant can enjoy considerable duty exemptions on a car here if he can produce a valid driver's licence from his country of origin. "The problem is acute among Russian immigrants," S/N Siegel said, "as there are not too many drivers or driving schools there."

He said police started getting suspicious when it appeared that a large proportion of Soviet immigrants had driven cars in Russia.

There are two types of forged licences in circulation: those forged in Russia and those produced locally, he said.

"The Israeli ones are of a much better quality," S/N Siegel added. Local printers have been warned to report all "suspicious" job orders to the police.

The police spokesman, Sgan-Nitzav Nahum Bosmi, told Itim this week that one difficulty in breaking up the ring is in getting information concerning the licences forged in the Soviet Union, as that country is not a member of Interpol.

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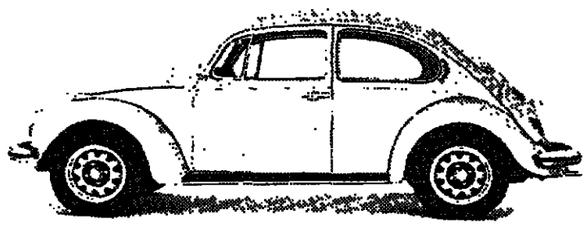

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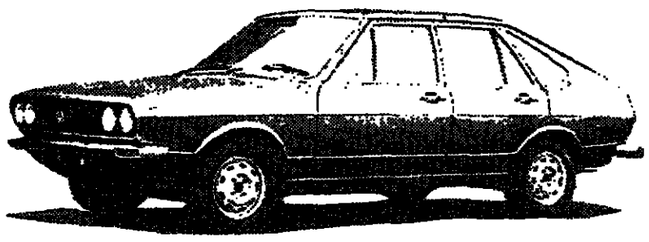

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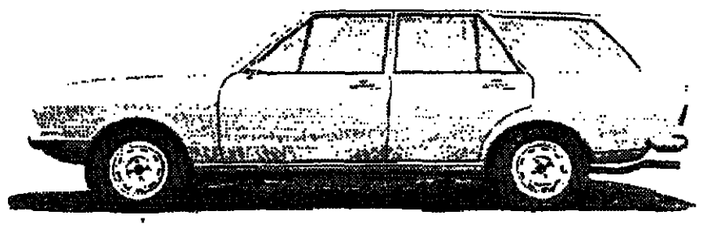

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Nato chief says West in weaker position than 25 years ago

PARIS (UPI). — Joseph Luns, Secretary-General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (Nato), said in an interview published yesterday the Western allies are in a much weaker military position against the Soviet Union than they were 25 years ago.

"On the strictly military level, the situation has deteriorated considerably over the past 25 years from the point of view of Nato," Luns said in an interview with "Le Monde" newspaper which was being published simultaneously by "La Stampa" of Turin, "Die Welt" of Hamburg and "The Times" of London.

Luns said he did not believe the U.S. was seeking leadership of the Western world and called on European nations to consult with Washington. He said unless there was equilibrium between Nato and forces of the Communist Warsaw Pact, an East-West agreement would be difficult.

"The Soviet Union has developed its military potential... one of the duties of the (Nato) Secretary-General is to warn against euphoria," the Dutch diplomat stated.

Luns said: "For the first time in its history, the Soviet Union has constructed an immense naval force capable of deploying on all the oceans of the world. Naturally, one must ask why.

"Without giving figures, the increase in the amount of Russian armour in the Warsaw Pact countries, all standardized — lack of standardization is one of the great Nato weaknesses — leads one to reflect that the U.S.S.R. has been able to station about a million men on the Chinese frontiers... while maintaining in Europe, with its Warsaw Allies, more than two million men."

Luns went on: "I'm not saying that the U.S.S.R. intends to invade us but one can never be sure the situation will not change quickly. Anyway, it is certainly a very efficacious weapon with which to exercise political pressure.

"Twenty-five years ago, the U.S. had the monopoly of atomic arms and the Soviet fleet was much inferior to that of the Americans or the British. The U.S.S.R. had numerous troops but they were less well equipped than they are now compared to those of Nato."

On the issue of U.S.-European consultations, Luns said: "I do not have the impression that the U.S. wishes to affirm its leadership" of the Western world. Rather I believe the U.S. wishes to secure from its Allies, on the problems which interest them both, the largest possible support after mutual consultation."

He said: "If the U.S. consults Europe on problems which interests it, like the Salt negotiations or political affairs concerning them directly or subjects touching on the Alliance, then I think the (European) countries should do the same."

IKE CLAIMS MONTY COULD NOT TELL THE TRUTH

LONDON (AP). — The late Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower said in an interview due to be published for the first time that Britain's World War II commander, Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, just couldn't tell the truth.

Eisenhower, the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe during the war, also revealed he got so mad at Montgomery that he broke off all contact with the British war hero.

The depth of Eisenhower's dislike of Montgomery, his deputy, is made public in an interview the American soldier-president gave to author Cornelius Ryan on the condition that the comments would not be published while Eisenhower lived.

Ryan is author of "The Longest Day," an account of the D-day invasion of Europe 30 years ago tomorrow. Excerpts from the taped interview with Eisenhower are contained in Ryan's new book, "A Bridge Too Far," which is scheduled to be published here by Hamish Hamilton and in the U.S. by Simon and Shuster in September.

According to the London publisher's transcript of the interview, Eisenhower told Ryan, "I don't know what you heard in Britain, but the British have never understood the American system of command. I never heard from the British any goddarn paeans of praise. And you are not going to hear it now, particularly from Montgomery.

"He got so damn personal to make sure that the Americans, and me in particular, had no credit, and nothing to do with the war, that I eventually just stopped communicating with him. I was not interested in communications with a man that just can't tell the truth."

Ike

Monty

Lord Montgomery, now 86, has been in poor health. His younger brother, Lt.-Col. Brian Montgomery, said in an interview that the two commanders had differed over strategies in a bitter quarrel and both had been partly right.

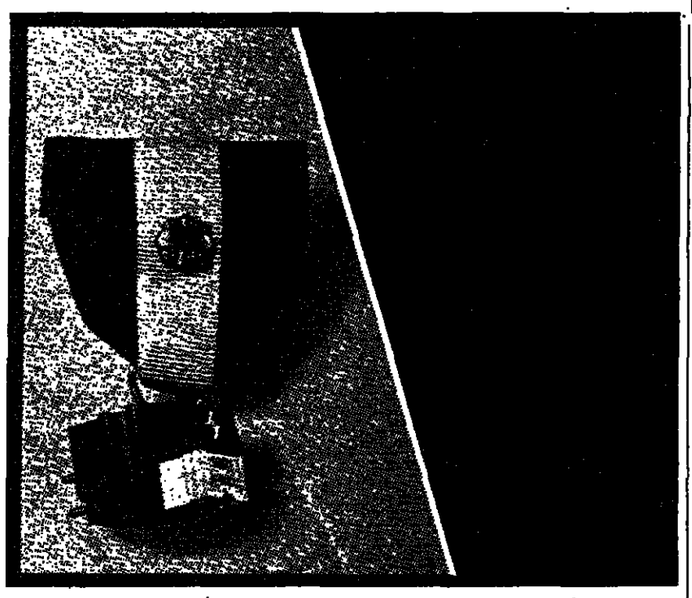
Field Marshal Montgomery had been pressing on Eisenhower both a single thrust military strategy and the need for a single land force commander. "You know how my brother is," Col. Montgomery said. "He goes flat out for something and no one is right except him."

On Eisenhower's reference to a lack of British praise, the Colonel said, "I think that was right. The British never really gave enough praise to the Americans. There was no question about it, the Americans were absolutely wonderful."

"Eisenhower was a great soldier and a great man," he said.

The Colonel also said Eisenhower was right in claiming Field Marshal Montgomery never understood the American system of command.

But on strategy, the Colonel sided with his brother, saying "Perhaps I am prejudiced, but the thing about my brother was that he was generally right. I do believe that he was one of the greatest military commanders of all time."



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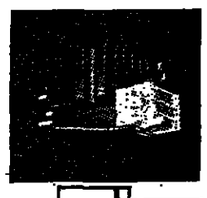

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EXPERT PREDICTS BIG DROP IN WORLD OIL PRICES SOON

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

TEL AVIV. — The world energy crisis has already passed its peak, and crude oil prices are likely to decline before long, according to Max Singer, former president of the American Hudson Institute. He told the Israel-American Chamber of Commerce yesterday he felt the monetary effects of the oil price rise have been overstated.

Dr. Singer is now on a sabbatical in this country, working for the Jerusalem World Institute.

Though world energy consumption has been rising by 4 to 5 per cent annually (in line with the rise in GNP), proven reserves of fossile fuels ensure an adequate supply for several decades, so there is no danger of a shortage in the long run. The prospects for the near future are less reassuring, because it will take time until the alternative fuel supply can be increased to replace the oil which is now being held back by Arab producers. However, even in this field the situation is changing rapidly, as higher energy costs have reduced the growth of fuel consumption and non-Arab oil producers are expanding production rapidly.

In 1973 world oil production amounted to 20,000 million barrels, of which one-third came from OAPEC countries. In 1975 world oil output and use may decline to 19,200 million barrels, of which OAPEC sources will account for only about 5,200 million — compared to 6,700 million barrels last year. One-half of the cutback in the Arab oil supply will therefore be replaced by non-Arab oil, while another half will be saved by industry and transport on account of the higher oil costs. Production of non-oil fuel (mainly coal and natural gas), which now accounts for one-half of world energy supplies, is also rising.

Under the impact of this development, oil prices — which trebled over the past year — are unlikely to maintain their present level. OAPEC governments are still earning much more on their reduced output than they did before the oil embargo. They are trying to keep the supply short and the price as high as possible, but they too may have second thoughts when other producers expand production in order to benefit from the sellers market, and surpluses begin to develop.

Dr. Singer expected the oil price to start declining in the foreseeable future and to flatten out at about $6 per barrel — double the prewar price, but one-third below the current price.

For the time being world energy consumption may advance at a slow pace of about 2 per cent annually, but this growth may again quicken in the 'eighties, when the supply of fossile fuels catches up with demand and the costs of energy again decline relative to other products.

He estimated OAPEC surplus revenues at about $50,000m. for the current year but thought they might drop to half as much next year. Part of the oil revenues may go into oil and gas-processing industries in the Arab countries, while another part may be used for re-armament, strengthening their stance against Israel.

Dr. Singer felt Israel might have to acquire a nuclear power station for reasons of safety, in addition to expanding its oil storage facilities. But he thought nuclear energy would remain relatively expensive for a long time to come and was unlikely to become a major factor in the world energy supply for several decades.

Terrorists split on Geneva, on setting up a state

CAIRO (UPI). — With three days of heated debate behind it, the Palestinian National Council (parliament) is torn between two schools of thought on basic issues whether the Palestinians should go to Geneva to join in the peace talks and whether the Palestinians should establish a state on any territory they can gain possession of.

Sources says that discussions in the Council since it opened in Cairo last Thursday showed that of six major terrorist groups, three are willing to go to Geneva under certain conditions, and also agree to the idea of a state.

The three are Al Fatah, the Syrian-backed Al Saiqa, and the Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

They argue that going to Geneva would be possible and even desirable for the Palestinians if their case is treated there as a national cause and not a refugee problem.

They also advocate formation of a state on the West Bank and Gaza, or any part of the areas evacuated by Israel. They say this can be a good stepping stone towards their ultimate objective of regaining all former Palestinian territory, including what is now Israel.

The dissenting school of thought, commonly described in Palestinian circles as the "rejection front," consists of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, the Iraqi-supported Arab Liberation Front and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command.

Sources said the dissenters fear participation in the Geneva conference, and a state on a part of what was Palestine would prevent any further moves towards the pltimate objective.

They described this objective as "a secular democratic state embracing the whole of Palestine in which Moslem, Jew and Christian would live together."

The dissenters believe the terrorists should continue their armed struggle against Israel until this objective is attained and without any interim stage along the way.

Mariana to be commonwealth

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — Agreement has been reached for the establishment of a commonwealth of the Mariana Islands in the Pacific Ocean "in permanent association with the U.S.," the U.N. Trusteeship Council was told yesterday.

U.S. Ambassador Barbara White said this was the outcome of a fourth round of talks between U.S. and Marianas negotiators concluded May 31 on Saipan Island.

Her speech opened the council's latest debate on conditions in the U.S.-administered UN trust territory of the Pacific Islands, or Micronesia, which includes the Northern Marianas as one of six districts.

She said the U.S. had begun separate negotiations with the Marianas because elected representatives made clear "that the future status being sought by the Congress of Micronesia — free association with provisions for unilateral termination — was unacceptable to their people, who wished a closer relationship with the U.S. and a permanent one."

Arab criticism of Rabin statement

BEIRUT. — Arab reaction to Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin's policy statement before the Knesset on Monday was critical, with some officials warning the Israeli Government against "further violence and expansion" in the area.

(Rabin said that Israel wanted genuine peace with its Arab neighbours but could not return to the pre-1967 borders. He emphasized that his government rejected the idea of a separate Palestinian state).

Commenting on the speech, Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy said that "Israel must choose between the rule of law, principles of justice and peace, on the one hand, and the policy of violence and expansion on the other. Its decision will determine its future in the region. Israel now has a unique opportunity to reconsider its old stands, which the October War proved inaccurate."

Fahmy's remarks were reported by Egypt's official Middle East News Agency.

Lebanese newspapers quoted Syrian Foreign Minister Abdel Halim Khaddam as saying that "Rabin knows very well that he will have to withdraw from all occupied Arab territories." He added that Syria was ready to "make more sacrifices" until this withdrawal was achieved.

Two Jordanian newspapers yesterday attacked Rabin's statement that Israel would not go back to the pre-1967 war cease-fire lines or abandon the occupied Arab sector of Jerusalem.

"As-Sabah," said Rabin's statement would frustrate the hopes of those who looked forward to a return of peace to the Middle East. "The intentions of the new government do not at all differ from those of the previous one — continued aggression, expansion and occupation of territory."

"Al-Rasey," organ of the Arab National Union — the only licensed political organisation in Jordan — said traditional Israeli policy, built on expansion and military power, was the cause of all the wars which the area had witnessed.

(AP, Reuter)

Israeli wins in women's tennis

CHICHESTER, England (Reuter). — Paulina Peisachov of Israel continued her advance in the women's singles of the Rothman's Lawn Tennis Tournament here yesterday by beating L. Worner of Australia 6-0, 6-1.

New Solzhenitsyn volume out soon

PARIS (Reuter). — The second volume of Soviet author Alexander Solzhenitsyn's controversial work on Stalinist prison camps, "Gulag Archipelago," has been printed and will go on sale at the end of this week, the Paris publishers announced yesterday.

'RABIN MIGHT BE ABLE TO END DEADLOCK'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The influential French newspaper "Le Monde" said yesterday that Premier Yitzhak Rabin could turn out to be the Israeli political leader who could extricate his country from the deadlock with the Arabs.

In a front-page editorial entitled "Mr. Rabin's difficult task," the paper stressed that the Rabin government, in which neither the nationalist right nor the theocrats were represented, was the "most moderate which the Jewish State has known since its foundation."

"Le Monde" said it would be unwise to take at face value Mr. Rabin's statement of Israel's terms for a Middle East settlement. The moderates in both the Arab and Israeli camps would be wrong to despair. The Rabin government was not living in a vacuum.

"Unlike his predecessor, he has not spoken about the creation in the occupied territories of new Jewish settlements or of extending those which already exist. He has spoken about the relaxation of international tension and the need for Israel to improve its relations with Europe.

"His vision of the international scene, acquired during his ambassadorship in the U.S., his privileged links with the American leaders and the reputation he has made for himself as a 'realist' could perhaps select him as the man who can get away from the ideas which have helped to bog down Israel in an apparently inextricable situation.

"But for this the Arab states and the Palestinians would have to make his task easier by showing in daily practice, their willingness to guarantee the peace and security of the Jewish State."

4 Soviet Jews jailed 15 days

MOSCOW (UPI). — Authorities sentenced four Jews to 15 days in prison for demonstrating outside the downtown Intourist Hotel on Sunday, Jewish sources said on Monday.

Eight Jews detained on Saturday in a similar demonstration were released after a few hours in custody, the sources said.

The Jews protested the government's refusal to let them go to Israel.

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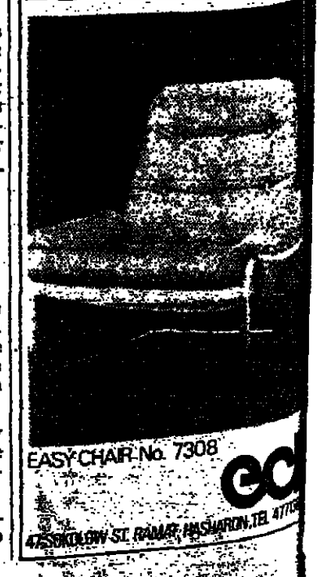

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Tight security after hunger striker dies

THREAT OF IRA REVENGE

LONDON (UPI). — Scotland Yard yesterday ordered tightened security at airports and public buildings and braced for possible revenge attacks for the hunger strike death of a convicted Irish Republican Army (IRA) member, police sources said.

The sources said security was boosted at "all the obvious places" following the death of Michael Gaughan, 24, after a fast of 64 days at Parkhurst Prison on the Isle of Wight. Gaughan, convicted of bank robbery for IRA funds, refused to eat to back his demands for political status.

In Dublin, Prime Minister Liam Cosgrave called a Cabinet meeting to discuss public reaction to Gaughan's death, which was attributed officially to pneumonia. The Dublin Government ordered increased guards on the British Embassy, burned down in February 1972 in the wake of Londonderry's bloody Sunday in which British troops shot and killed 13 civilians.

Scotland Yard officials declined to discuss British security measures, but the police sources said they were warned possible IRA retaliation was being readied.

In a statement issued through its political wing, Sinn Fein, the IRA said the death of Gaughan was a "callous, brutal and premeditated murder. Gaughan as an Irish Republican prisoner had sought political treatment," the statement said. "As a result he spent months of solitary confinement in a rat-infested basement cell."

The statement followed two separate threats by the IRA concerning the Irish prisoners on hunger strikes in Britain to back their demands for repatriation to jails in Northern Ireland.

The first IRA statement said there would be a "devastating" reaction if either of the Price sisters, Dolours and Marion, died. The second statement said that if any one of the hunger strikers died the "consequences would be very serious indeed for the British Government."

The Home Office said London car bomber Hugh Feeney jailed for life refused food yesterday after eating normally for two days. Feeney, 22, broke a 200-day hunger strike on Saturday at Gartree Prison in Leicestershire, but the Home Office said he resumed the hunger strike again yesterday.

In Belfast, members of the Feeney family claimed Feeney had been tricked into breaking his fast by the prison governor, who allegedly told him the Price sisters had resumed eating. The Home Office said the Price sisters' condition was unchanged, "but they are naturally a little weaker."

IRA hunger striking has spread to Northern Ireland prisons, the former head of the Provisional Wing of the IRA in Belfast said yesterday. Brendan Hughes told a Belfast Magistrate's Court hearing arms charges against him that he and other IRA prisoners awaiting trial had refused food for the past eight days. He gave no specific number of prisoners involved. A routine police patrol early yesterday found the body of a young man shot through the head and dumped in a roadside ditch on Belfast's north side. The unidentified victim, believed to be in his 20s, was the 1,031st person killed in nearly five years of strife in Northern Ireland involving Protestans, Roman Catholic, police and British soldiers.

Two escaped Syrian Jews tell of conditions

LONDON (JTA). — A young man and woman who escaped from Damascus told reporters here yesterday of continued harassment of the Jews of Syria. The two Jews were identified only as David and Lilian.

David, once a university student, told how he had to accept a job as a labourer for one and a half Syrian pounds a day, whereas a Moslem worker would receive 10 pounds for the same 13-hour day.

There is still a curfew for all Syrian Jews from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

After the Six Day War, the Jews of Kamishli were put under a 24-hour curfew for eight months because they were near the Turkish frontier.

No Jew is allowed to leave Syria, or even to hold a passport.

Lilian said that most of the Jews in Damascus receive aid from American Jewry. This is presented directly to the Chief Rabbi, who must then pay a "tax" to the Palestinians and then account for every penny spent apparently to ensure that it is not used to help people escape or get arms.

The press conference was arranged by the Council for Jews in Arab countries.

The two said that all Jews must carry identity cards designating them as "Mussawr," a person of the Mosaic faith. They cannot work as civil servants, in offices or banks, or establish businesses of their own.

They must work, whether educated or not, as menial labourers for Christians and Moslems. In Damascus they are forced to live in the quarter set aside for them and Palestinian refugees. This, is a further source of humiliation and danger. The Jews usually have to live one family to a room, and the father must often work in this same room during the day.

Foreign journalists visiting Damascus are not told of the true situation, and when they ask to see the Jewish quarter, secret police are sent ahead to intimidate the population, David said.

"Jews have obligations, but no rights. Even children throw stones at you." He said he decided to leave after a Moslem friend had threatened to kill him, blaming him for the Israeli-Syrian wars.

David said that after his brother's escape, three years ago, his father was tortured for a month and a half.

SPECULATION ON MOSCOW TALKS

Nixon may propose M.E. arms embargo

By K. C. THALER

LONDON (UPI). — Middle East diplomats said yesterday that President Nixon may propose an arms embargo for the area when he meets Soviet Communist Party Secretary Leonid Brezhnev in Moscow later this month.

Heavy arms shipments to both Israel and Arab countries have been in progress since the October War and new commitments foreshadow a continuing flow of sophisticated weapons in months to come, it is said.

Western Defence experts say both sides now have more arms than before the October War and both have more advanced weapons, with many arms also being produced locally.

Russia, which opposed an arms embargo in the past, is expected to yield readily.

The Russians, anxious to maintain an influence in the Middle East, are presently using arms supplies to bolster their relationship with Syria, and lately with Libya. They are holding out the prospect of resumed large-scale supplies to Egypt if Cairo changes its present pro-American line to a closer relationship with the Russians.

Nevertheless, the U.S. is expected to raise the possibility of agreed arms curbs in the Middle East during the Moscow talks. In the view of Western and Middle East diplomats this could do a great deal to reduce the danger of a new war in the area.

The situation has been complicated lately by West European arms-producing countries entering into virtual competition with the superpowers for the vast Arab arms markets, diplomats say.

Deals have been sought, and in some cases concluded, for the supply of entire air defence systems, large numbers of jet fighters and the latest missiles to Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Persian Gulf sheikhdoms. The supply of arms to Egypt and Libya is also being discussed.

West European countries hope to make up through these deliveries for some of the vastly increased oil prices they have to pay to the Arabs.

Last month the Soviet Union agreed to supply Libya with Sam missiles and other weapons. They have resumed arms deliveries to Egypt, although not yet on a large scale.

The U.S., in turn, has supplied advanced arms to Israel, whose military potential is said to be much greater than before the October War.

U.S.-SAUDI TALKS ON NEW 'PARTNERSHIP'

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The U.S. and Saudi Arabia this week begin high level discussions on ways to increase cooperation between the two countries in economics, technology, industry and the supply of American arms for the oil-rich kingdom.

The State Department announced on Monday that Prince Fahd Bin Abdul Aziz, Saudi Arabian Minister of Interior, and a group of economic officials are scheduled to arrive today for talks tomorrow and Friday with President Nixon, Secretary of State Kissinger, Defence Secretary Schlesinger and other U.S. officials.

State Department officials said that the U.S. views the new relationship with Saudi Arabia as a "partnership" to work out problems besetting both nations. They emphasize that the U.S. is not bartering for oil on a bilateral basis, nor is it contemplating a security alliance with Saudi Arabia.

The idea, officials said, is to determine how the U.S. could help Saudi Arabia utilize its huge dollar earnings from oil, which amount to about $1.1b. a month, to establish industrial plants, including those for the production of fertilizer and other products with a petrochemical basis.

The U.S., which has reaffirmed its willingness to supply defensive weapons to King Feisal's government, is anxious to determine just what specific needs Saudi Arabia may have. The U.S. has supplied the country arms in the past and has offered to sell 24 Phantom jet warplanes, an offer to which Saudi Arabia has not yet responded.

The American effort to improve its relationship with Saudi Arabia is designed, according to U.S. officials, to enhance the stability of that country in a strategic part of the world where the Soviet Union is showing an interest in trying to spread its influence after losing out in Egypt.

Secretary of State Kissinger smiles as he introduces his wife, Nancy, to Huang Chen, chief of the Liaison Office of the People's Republic of China, at a reception in Washington on Monday. (AP radiophoto)

Cambodia minister, aide killed by students

PHNOM PENH. — Students yesterday killed Cambodia's Education Minister and his top assistant in an anti-government outbreak that turned a section of Phnom Penh into a battlefield.

Military police said the students stabbed the Minister, Keo Sang Kim, and the aide, Thach Chea, during a rock-throwing clash with police in a street brawl. They then took the two men hostage and shot them when the police stormed the building where they were being held.

The police said two students were killed, eight wounded and 48 arrested in the clash. Police gunfire dispersed the students about two hours after the rioting began.

The confrontation erupted when the Education Minister refused to sign a letter asking Prime Minister Lond Boret to release 15 students and four teachers jailed a week ago on charges of violating a ban on holding public meetings of more than five persons.

Phnom Penh was the target of a rocket attack by the Khmer Rouge rebels yesterday. Four rockets hit the city, killing six persons and wounding 24. Most of the casualties occurred at a cinema.

A report from Vientiane says that the last American military advisers and members of the Central Intelligence Agency have left Laos after a decade of covert involvement in fighting the pro-Communist Pathet Laos.

U.S. officials said on Monday that some 150 advisers and para-military agents had quietly left in time for yesterday's deadline for the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Laos under last September's Laotian peace agreement between the Pathet Lao and Prince Souvanna Phouma's Vientiane side.

About 9,000 Thai mercenaries, also fighting on the Vientiane side, were airlifted home from bases in Laos about 12 days ago.

But, as expected, an estimated 33,000 to 38,000 North Vietnamese troops will remain in the northern part of this landlocked kingdom, along the Ho Chi Minh trail in the west and on the central Plain of Jars.

The new coalition government was not expected to make any public statement about the presence of the North Vietnamese, although observers noted they constituted a clear violation of the agreement.

(UPI, AP, Reuter)

Reagan not candidate in U.S. voting

NEW YORK (Reuter). — Americans in eight states voted yesterday in the nation's largest set of primary elections this year, with top posts at stake in California, New Mexico, South Dakota and Iowa.

California Governor Ronald Reagan is retiring after two terms to get set for a possible presidential bid while New Mexico Governor Bruce King is prohibited from succeeding himself.

South Dakota Governor Richard Kneip's third term was being contested by Lieutenant-Governor William Dougherty in the Democratic primary.

Iowa Senator Howard Hughes, an ex-alcoholic and former truck driver, is retiring to become a religious worker. His Democratic primary was uncontested with Representative John Culver the only candidate. The Republican election featured State Representative David Stanley and State Senator George Milliagan.

In California, Lieutenant-Governor Ed Reinecke, long-time front runner to succeed Reagan, lost much of his support after he was indicted by a Watergate grand jury on charges of lying to the Senate Judiciary Committee in 1972. Current leaders are Democrat Edmund G. Brown, Jr., son of the former governor who lost to Reagan in 1966, and Republican Houston Flournoy who is state controller.

House of Representatives seats were voted on in California, New Jersey, Montana and Mississippi.

African killed in Rhodesian rioting

SALISBURY (UPI). — Rhodesian police shot and killed one African and wounded two others early yesterday during riots at Gwelo, about 230 kms. south of here, a police statement said.

"Three African gangs numbering between 150 and 200 each stoned buildings in Gwelo African township," the statement said. "The indications are that the rioting was organized and not spontaneous."

NIXON'S MAIN CONTACT WITH WATERGATE MEN

The White House fears Colson may talk

WASHINGTON. — The White House was faced yesterday with the prospect that Charles Colson, the President's main contact with those involved in the Watergate scandal, now might tell all.

Colson, 42, pleaded guilty on Monday to a single charge of obstructing justice in a Watergate-related case, the 1971 Ellsberg burglary. All other charges against him were dropped, and he is now free to tell his story with little fear that the evidence will be used against him.

Though there is considerable doubt whether Colson, a former special counsel to the President, would be able or willing to incriminate the President in the Watergate cover-up, the prospect for the White House is not reassuring.

Colson was the main contact man for Howard Hunt, the convicted Watergate burglar, and was once described by Nixon, according to White House transcripts, as "closer to this crew of robbers than anybody else."

His plea of guilty took the White House by surprise. He gave no advance notice to James St. Clair, the President's lawyer, or to his co-defendant, former presidential adviser John Ehrlichman, who faces trial on June 17.

Colson, 42, once declared that he would walk over his own grandmother to secure the re-election of Nixon. But in a statement on Monday, he said his actions were morally wrong.

Colson pleaded guilty to a one count indictment of obstruction of justice, stemming from his attempt to influence the result of the Daniel Ellsberg Pentagon papers trial. He will be sentenced on June 21.

Meanwhile, the House Judiciary Committee resumed its hearings yesterday into whether Nixon should be impeached. The subject for yesterday's closed deliberations was whether the President used improper influence to halt anti-trust proceedings against the multinational firm International Telephone and Telegraph (ITT).

Later this week, the committee will hear evidence on whether Nixon improperly ordered an increase in government price supports to milk producers in return for campaign contributions.

Following Colson's plea, there was speculation he would be called as a witness before the impeachment panel, although Committee Chairman Peter W. Rodino Jr., would not say whether such a decision had been made.

Colson was the author of a memo which said some White House documents on the ITT case could "lay this case on the President's doorstep."

In other developments, about 3,000 United Auto Workers, representing the largest U.S. industrial union, issued a nearly unanimous call for the impeachment of Nixon. The international convention of the 1.4-million-member union passed the resolution with only few hands raised in opposition. No exact count was taken.

However, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield said that Nixon has bipartisan congressional support on foreign policy despite Watergate and related matters.

(Reuter, UPI, AP)

Sadat crosses the canal

SUEZ (Reuter). — President Sadat crossed the Suez Canal yesterday — for the first time since the October War.

The Egyptian leader, wearing the uniform of commander in chief, went to stand atop what was once a strong-point in Israel's Bar-Lev Line, at Kilometre 149 on the Suez Canal.

He told a military parade: "Our mission will only be completed when the last foreign soldier evacuates the occupied Arab territories and the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people are restored."

The President drove across the canal in an Egyptian army car, using one of the pontoon bridges thrown across the waterway by the Third Army when it stormed the Bar-Lev Line in October.

Sadat is on a three-day tour of the Suez Canal area.

Crete arrests two newsmen

CANEA, Crete (Reuter). — The editor and editorial writer of a Crete newspaper were under arrest yesterday on allegations of violating martial law provisions by publishing an article critical of the Greek regime, an authoritative source said.

The two journalists will be tried later by court-martial here.

Military authorities were also seeking the paper's publisher.

'Nixon blamed leaks on Jews'

LOS ANGELES (UPI). — In one "characterization deleted" from White House tapes, President Nixon suspected Jewish officials, including Henry A. Kissinger, of leaking information to Jewish newsmen, the "Los Angeles Times" said yesterday.

The "Times" said it had learned that one of the President's remarks that has been deleted from the transcripts of a conversation between Nixon and White Houses Counsel John Dean on February 28, 1973, was:

"Some of our Jewish friends in the media have an 'in' around here. Kissinger leaks, Simon leaks, and Stein leaks."

Secretary of State Kissinger and administration official Herbert E. Stein are Jewish. Treasury Secretary William E. Simon is a Roman Catholic.

JUDGE DIES BY LETTER BOMB

PASCO, Washington (Reuter). — A Superior Court judge was killed instantly on Monday afternoon in an explosion which rocked his office shortly after a brown paper package was delivered to him.

Police said a female clerk took in the parcel, delivered in the afternoon mail, to Judge James J. Lawless, 50. Shortly afterwards a loud explosion shook the Franklin County Courthouse.

Court officials said Judge Lawless was known as a tough but fair jurist in this agricultural town of 14,000 inhabitants, 240 kms. southeast of Seattle.

Police said they knew of no motive for the attack. He had been a judge for 17 years and had handled both criminal and civil cases.

Hospital spokesman said the judge was killed instantly. He left a widow and five children. No one else was injured in the blast, and damage was confined to the judge's office at the back of the building.

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Oil blights Sinai coast, trees, fish threatened

Jens-Peter Paulsen, a German skin-diver, tested the skin-diving possibilities of Sinai during a three-week visit here. For 12 years, he was President of the German Skin-divers Federation. Mr. Paulsen writes:

"We, two German skin-divers and several Israeli friends have been diving all along the coast of Sinai, from Eilat to Ras Muhammed. From the European point of view, the Sinai is an absolute paradise, and for European skin-divers it is relatively easy to reach. Whether you take Eilat, Neviot, Dahab or Sharm e-Sheik, each place has its attraction, and to travel on the desert road is in itself a special event. For us the peak of all diving places was Ras Muhammed.

"I am convinced that this coast will become very attractive for European divers. However, I see two problems, which could end this tourist attraction abruptly.

"Problem No. 1 is pollution. We have seen the glass-bottom boats' harbour in Eilat, before it was cleaned up for the season! I cannot judge whether it will be possible to eventually protect Eilat's Coral Beach against pollution from the growing oil-harbour. But we found oil all along the coast. Most of all we were shocked in Ras Muhammed, where the shore of the channel, with the beautiful mangrove trees, was full of oil (see photo). It is only a question of time before all the trees and fish in the channel will be dead! Or is it perhaps still early enough to combat the pollution there?

"Problem No. 2 is the underwater fishing. We have been informed that it is intended to allow underwater fishing in all areas of the coast, which are not special Nature Reservations. During the past years, several world famous skin-divers, under the leadership of Dr. Hans Hass, have tried to convince fellow divers, and federations that it is better to "shoot" fish with cameras, rather than harpoons. In the Mediterranean area there are already coasts which are totally empty of fish. These underwater "desertlands" are now of little interest to skin-divers, or the federations. It will no doubt take many years before such areas become regenerated, if at all.

"The Israel Authorities should do everything in their power to prevent such developments along the coasts of their country!"

ILO plans world attack on occupational cancer

GENEVA. — A concerted attack on cancer among workers exposed to dangerous chemical or physical agents will be launched by the International Labour Conference at its next session in Geneva from today until June 26, ILO reports.

Representatives of the world's governments, industry and labour will have final talks on the most effective means of prevention, and are expected to create international labour standards for the protection of workers against occupational cancer.

A number of substances and processes used in industry can cause cancer if precautions are not taken. Tar, soot, paraffin *and mineral oils may attack the* skin of petroleum workers, gasworks stokers, road-builders and others.

Chrome, chromates, nickel and its compounds can act in the same way on workers engaged in electrolytic plating and other processes; these substances can also cause cancer of the lungs, upper jaws and nasal regions.

Similarly, special care is needed in the use of X-rays in any kind of radiography, or aromatic amines in a wide range of uses including dye manufacture and rubber processing, and of arsenical pesticides.

In addition, new products and processes whose full effects are not yet known are coming into use constantly.

ILO standards already exist for the handling of specific materials such as benzene and asbestos. One of the tasks of the Conference in June will be to broaden the protection offered by international labour standards to cover occupational cancer in all its forms.

Koor begins 'ecology unit'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Koor, the first industrial complex to seriously tackle the ecology problem here, is considering taking another pioneering step — a "mobile ecology unit." Mr. Meir Amit, Director-General of Koor, said this week, in awarding IL170,000 in prizes to nine of its plants which introduced "quality of life" improvements in the past year.

The unit, which will be equipped with various instruments to measure air and water pollution, will travel from plant to plant and pinpoint those machines or arrangements which cause pollution.

Environment Day

JUNE 5 was proclaimed the annual World Environment Day at the first UN Conference on the Human Environment which met in Stockholm in 1972.

The decisions taken by the Conference were based on the following assumptions:

- Man's health and well-being depend upon the equilibrium existing between him and his environment.
- Scientific and technological progress has brought about prosperity for a small minority of the earth's population, and at the same time has violated the physical, economic and social equilibrium.
- Man requires better tools for estimating the various effects of his activities upon the natural environment.
- The rapid growth rate of the world's population and scientific and technological changes create great pressures upon natural resources which may endanger mankind's very existence.
- All the above call for a re-evaluation of man's activities, of the exploitation of the earth's natural resources, and of scientific and technological development.
- The above also call for increased cooperation between all factors at every level and for greater *involvement in the decision-making* processes.
- Environmental considerations should be taken into account during the planning and implementing stages of development projects in both developing and developed countries.
- Changes should be made in the priorities of policy, and in the organization of social orders to maintain a dynamic equilibrium between man and his natural environment.

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

The Declaration adopted at the Conference declared that man has the fundamental right to freedom, equality and adequate conditions of life in an environment of a quality that permits a life of dignity and well being. He bears a solemn responsibility to protect and improve the environment for present and future generations.

Air, water, flora and fauna and natural ecosystems must be safeguarded. The capacity of the earth to produce vital renewable resources must be maintained and, whenever possible, restored or improved.

Man has a special responsibility to safeguard the imperilled heritage of wildlife and its habitat. Non-renewable resources must be safeguarded from the danger of future exhaustion. Toxic substances and heat should not be discharged in quantities exceeding the capacity of the environment to render them harmless.

States should take all possible steps to prevent the pollution of the seas by substances which threaten human health, marine life and living resources.

A favourable living and working environment must be assured through economic and social development and conditions must be created for the improvement of the quality of life.

States should adopt an integrated and coordinated approach to their development planning to ensure that it is compatible with the need to protect and improve the human environment for the benefit of the population. Rational planning is an essential tool for reconciling any conflict between development and the protection of the environment.

Science and technology must be applied to the identification and control of environmental risks. Education in these matters is essential *among both children and adults* in order to broaden the basis for enlightened opinion and responsible conduct in protecting the environment and the mass media should be used to this end.

There should be a free flow of information and experience to help solve environmental problems and developing countries must be given aid in this field.

International law regarding liability and compensation for victims of pollution and environmental damage should be developed by interstate cooperation. International matters concerning the protection and improvement of the environment should be handled in a cooperative spirit by all countries on an equal footing, with due account taken of the sovereignty and interests of all states. International organizations should play a coordinated and dynamic role in protecting and improving the environment.

The declaration ends wtih the statement that man and his environment must be spared the effects of nuclear weapons and other means of mass destruction. States must strive to reach prompt agreement, through the relevant international organs, on the elimination and complete destruction of such weapons.

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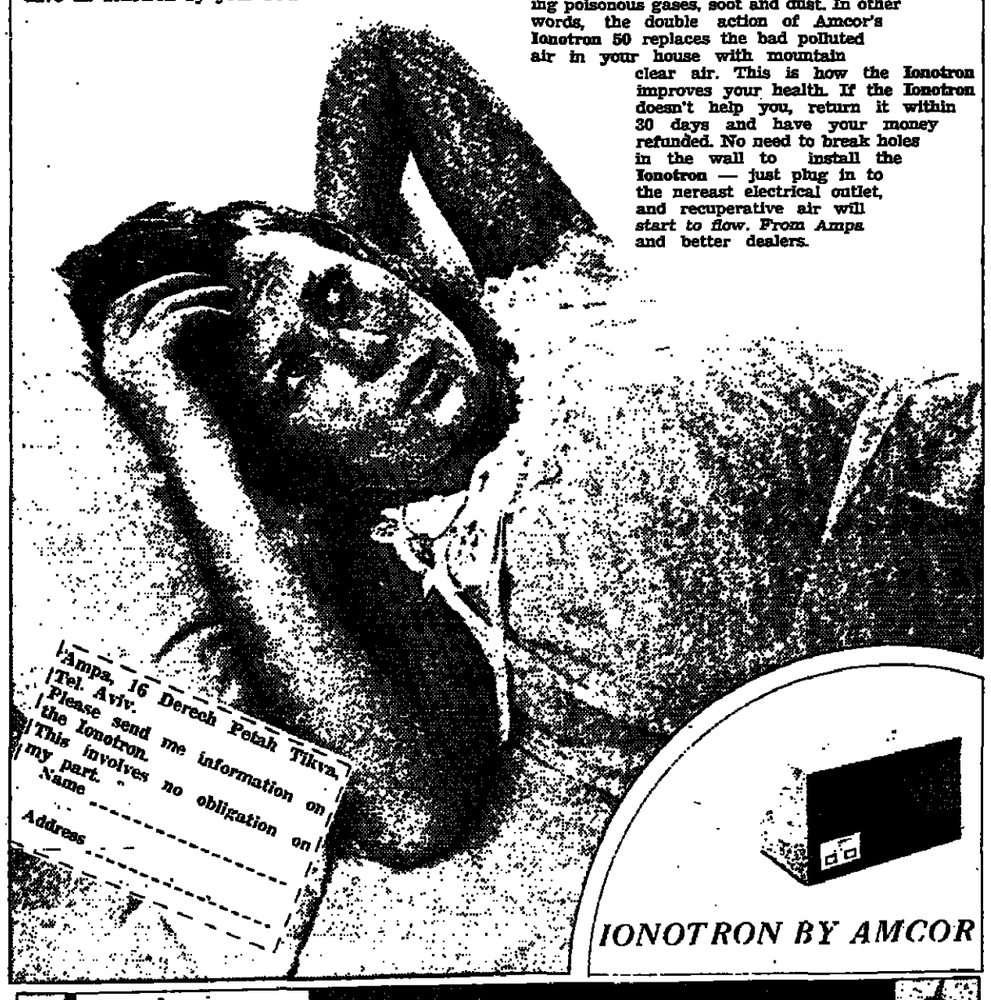

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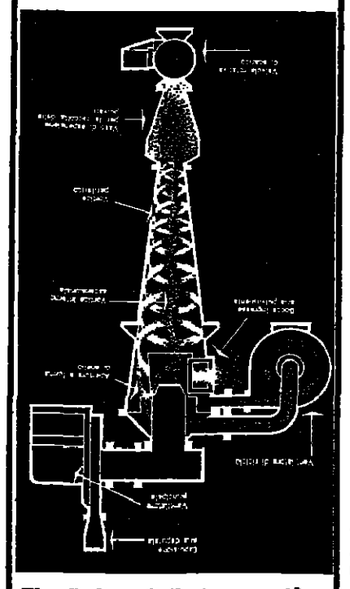

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DEATH BY ASBESTOS

Burlap bags impregnated with lethal asbestos dust are resold by the thousands in Israel. Workers in asbestos plants and in the building trade run a serious risk of contracting fatal lung disease, writes ALEC ISRAEL. Agriculture workers and even housewives are also exposed to the dangers of asbestos.

TENS of thousands, perhaps hundreds of thousands, of burlap bags contaminated with potentially lethal asbestos dust are circulating in Israel, and only a few people are aware of the dangers.

The bags, which had originally contained imported asbestos fibres, were resold for use in agriculture. It is known that a Hadera packing plant used asbestos dust-ridden sacks to pack potatoes, and that the sole importer of asbestos in the country, a firm in Nahariya, resold the bags with the tacit approval of the Chief Labour Inspector of Haifa, a Mr. Mines — an engineer who didn't think of consulting the doctor on his staff. His attitude was: We don't encourage it but we can't legally stop you, so go ahead.

As a result, about 10,000 asbestos-impregnated bags have been resold each year for at least the last decade, and hundreds, if not thousands, of people have been unnecessarily exposed to incurable lung disease.

The confirmed facts about asbestos give rise to serious concern. Asbestos dust in the air we breathe enters our lungs and stays there. Workers at asbestos plants where safety measures are lax or non-existant are almost certain to die of asbestosis — chronic and severe scarring of the lungs — or lung cancer or cancer of the stomach or the colon or the rectum, depending on where the asbestos fibres settle.

Workers in all branches of the building trade who handle unfinished asbestos products run a serious risk of contracting fatal lung disease.

It is not necessary to inhale large quantities of asbestos dust before the danger level is reached. Small amounts of the minute particles of dust can lodge in one's body and produce malignant tumours 20 years later.

Women have been known to contract mesothelioma — cancer of the membranes covering the lungs — after washing the clothing of husbands who worked in asbestos plants.

And wherever asbestos sheeting is cut in the open for use in building, or wherever a manufacturer of brake-linings is careless about the amounts of dust generated from his plant, you can be sure that there are asbestos particles in the air for all of us to breathe.

I first became aware of the careless handling of asbestos bags in Israel during a brief stay as a volunteer workers at a kibbutz. One of the tasks assigned to me was to pack potatoes into large sacks. As soon as I realized that the sacks were smothered with the deadly whitish fibres, I complained loudly about the dangers; and when it became clear that no one there was going to take me seriously, I made a nuisance of myself until I was moved to another section of the plant.

As it was an outdoor packing plant, the wind must have blown asbestos dust everywhere. The men who continued packing the bags despite my warnings would emerge coated from head to foot in the greyish-white fibres, having ingested massive amounts of the dust. Even short-term exposure risks from shaking burlap are enormous. In 15 to 20 years, some of those men will probably die of asbestos disease.

I found it sad but believable that hardly any of the workers at the plant seemed to know of the risks they were taking. I found it unbelievable that asbestos-covered sacking should be used again at all. I found it criminal that potatoes should be carelessly contaminated in this way.

Attempts to find answers for myself led to some interesting if frustrating sidelights on the bureaucratic roundabout. A spokesman at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry went to great pains to tell me what his ministry did *not* deal with. He then tried to persuade me that my problem was not asbestos but packaging, and he was sure that he couldn't be of any use.

But there was an "authority" on asbestos on the staff and from him I learnt that there is only one importer of asbestos fibre in the country, Israsbest of Nahariya. I was also told that Kupat Holim *has determined that nobody has* been harmed by asbestos in Israel because the substance isn't mined here and there is no dust in the air. I was assured that the plants in this country using asbestos are hermetically sealed, that no dust escapes from them, and that the worker's first contact with asbestos is with the finished product, whether it be cement or anything else. I was reminded that asbestos is used for roofing, water-pipes, fireproof clothing and so on. And as a parting shot, the "authority" informed me that Israeli asbestos cement is among the best in the world.

Ignoring the self-congratulation, it obviously won't do to try to dismiss the matter in this way. If the bags used to transport asbestos are used again, there is bound to be a dust problem. Also, loading and off-loading the bags must cause trouble.

The claim that no one has died of asbestos-produced disease in this country is totally unconvincing. Even if it is correct — which I cannot accept — how does anyone know? Have investigations for asbestos deposits been regularly and systematically carried out? It can take 20 years or more for the disease to manifest itself, anyway, and in a country like Israel, where the labour turnover is high, a man can die of a disease caused by asbestos years after having come into contact with it and no one will know the cause. Post-mortems are not carried out regularly.

Seeing that the link between asbestos and fatal lung disease has been established elsewhere, must we wait before there is something like an epidemic in Israel before we do anything about it?

A letter to the editor of *The Jerusalem Post* outlining the dangers of asbestos was mailed during the last week of January, 1974. It was printed on April 4, with a reply from Professor K. Dror, of Kupat Holim's Department of Occupational Health, dated March 24, which didn't answer satisfactorily all the points I raised.

The following breakdown of the main points of the professor's letter should clarify a few basic issues.

The problems connected with asbestos, he wrote, "are well-known to the small occupational health community in the country."

That may be so, but what is needed is public awareness. Workers with asbestos, like workers with radioactive substances, should know what they're dealing with and insist on just as stringent safety measures as are provided against radiation. All current working levels (two fibres per cu.c. is considered safe by the 1973/74 standard) are probably too high, as has been revealed by epidemiologic evidence. In other words, people who have come into only indirect contact with the dust — in the air, from shaking workers' clothing, etc. — have contracted asbestos disease. Too much exposure causes asbestosis; low exposure causes mesothelioma.

"Labour Ministry regulations require annual health checks of workers exposed to asbestos dust," continued Dror.

He was referring to general clinical tests, X-rays of lungs, lung function tests, spirometer tests, blood sedimentation and any other tests which the physician might find necessary. These are carried out by the Industrial Hygiene Department of Kupat Holim. But the diseases once contracted are incurable, and the only purpose the check-ups ultimately serve is to help create an information retrieval system for more reliable medical statistics. Surely prevention is much more important than identification.

Dror added: "Processes have to be enclosed as far as possible and/or ventilated."

Asbestos workers are generally protected, if at all, by local exhaust (which removes dust), by "wet process" (which doesn't release dust), or by respirators. But respirators are hardly used because even the best of them impede breathing and make work difficult, if not impossible. The plant in Nahariya is, I understand, hermetically sealed with an effective exhaust system. However, Professor Dror failed to mention that no law has yet been passed in Israel to compel dust-free safety.

Apart from the incredibly irresponsible use of asbestos bags for potatoes, we also have to contend with people in Tel Aviv who manufacture brake linings and apparently don't care a hoot about the dangerous dust levels generated at their plant. (What's more dismaying is that they plan to move to Dimona and do the same thing there.)

Dror's next point — something of a red herring — was that "the use of the most dangerous 'blue asbestos' is very limited, and we are trying to eliminate it altogether."

The truth is that the white asbestos is also lethal, and that there are too many uses for asbestos to make the banning of it commercially practicable. But there is one use of asbestos which has only recently been introduced in Israel, and that is wall sprays. These sprays should be banned while there is still time, and if our legislators are at all capable of learning from the mistakes of others, they will be.

"The re-use of asbestos bags for various purposes, including the packing of food products, was brought to our attention a few months ago," wrote Dror. "A very serious attempt is being made by the Medical Inspector of Labour at the Labour Ministry... to find these danger spots and eliminate them."

Here, finally, was a reassuring note.

Dr. T. Richter, the Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Labour, is aware that asbestos dust presents a general public health menace and is determined to control it.

Where the bags are concerned, what is involved is plugging the source, and safely getting rid of those already in circulation. Nothing short of burial of the bags would be safe enough — burning them would only release dust into the air — but problems exist here because land has to be set aside and permits are required in the best bureaucratic tradition. The possibilities for delaying tactics are endless.

A public education campaign is needed to help people to spot the dangerous bags and to know what to do with them. Some of the bags are marked JOHNS MANSVILLE or ASBESTOS. At the same time, it might be an idea to start an inquiry with a view to tightening industrial practices.

I recently heard of a man in Ashdod who has thousands of these sacks which he washes for resale. Completely unaware of what he is doing to himself, he has found a way to make money which might help pay for his funeral.

The kibbutz movement, a large user of burlap, is proving very cooperative and promises that, wherever possible, the sacks will be removed from circulation.

As for stopping the source, Israbest is apparently now — after the persuasive efforts of the dedicated Dr. Richter — only too willing to cooperate. They say they intend to ship burlap bags back to the exporters in Cyprus and South Africa. They point out that for some time now, asbestos has been coming in polyethylene sacks and not in burlap bags. Until a safe way of cleaning polyethylene is found, they will return these, too.

Much damage has already been done. And basic justice demands that, although money is hardly compensation for a life lost carelessly and unnecessarily, the families of victims be helped to sue employers and others for negligence. If the use of asbestos proves in this way to be too expensive, perhaps alternatives will be sought. At the very least, the workers and the public at large deserve better safety regulations and legislative protection against dangerous substances. Also needed are industrial hygienists, engineers who are trained to spot such hazards. But before the preliminary legislative moves are made, this seems almost too much to hope for.

Homosexuality and the Jews

Geoffrey Wigoder's JEWISH SCENE

NEWS about the progress of a homosexual Jewish congregation in Los Angeles has aroused controversy and also called attention to Jewish attitudes to homosexuality. The Bible is unequivocal on the subject and prescribes the death penalty "if a man lie with mankind." The act was characterised as an abomination and this characterised subsequent Jewish thought and influenced the Christian attitude (in distinction to the Greek milieu, where it was a common and unexceptional practice).

Homosexuality seems to have been rare among Jews. The famous third century Rabbi Judah Ha-Nasi legislated that two unmarried males should not sleep in the same bed but all the other authorities differed from him on the grounds that Jews are not suspected of indulging in homosexual acts. In any case, whether prevalent or not, the traditional Jewish attitude has been to classify such acts as serious sins calling for unreserved condemnation. The Judeo-Christian ethic on this subject has been reflected in legislation in the Western World, often with the most tragic consequences.

It is only in the present century that understanding has begun to percolate. Most countries have progressed to a position where acts between consenting adults is recognized as their own business. The Gay Liberation Movement has forcefully, and largely successfully, brought home the realisation that homosexuality is a natural, if comparatively rare, human condition and under no circumstance should be the object of prejudice.

This has posed a challenge to Judaism and Christianity. Christianity was the first to respond and in 1967 a group of American Episcopalian priests decided that while homosexual acts should not be encouraged, they should not be dismissed as wrong in themselves and should be judged by the same criterion as heterosexual marriage: whether it was intended to foster a permanent relation of love.

This evoked an angry condemnation from Rabbi Norman Lamm, one of the spokesman of modern Orthodoxy in the U.S. Writing in the periodical "Jewish Life" he said that homosexuality can never be legitimised in the eyes of Judaism. The homosexual, who so wished, should be given every help in the form of counselling or psychotherapy but this does not change the judgment that the act is repugnant. Although it should not be a criminal offence, it cannot be declared a matter of personal taste within the range of normality. He therefore branded the decision of the Christian bishops as a tragic development. He wrote: "To declare homosexual acts as 'morally neutral' and at times as a 'good thing' is scandalous. I realize that some of the more liberal Christians will dismiss the Jewish view as 'judgmental' and 'Pharisaic' but that seems to be the fate of any belief in moral or spiritual absolutes." He attacked the bishops for finding justification for homosexuality on the basis of "genuine love," "fulfilment" and "happiness," adding that these could be attained too in incestuous or polygamous relationships which the bishops would not defend. Religion must teach and stand for its principles, and not adapt its norms to popular practice.

This then remains the stand of Orthodoxy which is bound to uphold the harsh Biblical proscription. The Los Angeles gay congregation, which calls itself Beth Chayim Chadashim (House of New Life), came into being two years ago. It initially gathered in the premises of a Community Church, but after this was burnt down was offered the use of a classroom in a Reform congregation. One member, who had donated anonymously the Sefer Torah for the group, had attended regularly when they met in the Church but ceased to attend when the venue was in the Reform synagogue. He explained that he was a practising professional who lived near the Reform Temple and by publicly acknowledging his homosexuality, he feared social stigmas as well as economic repercussions. The conditions of membership led to an intense discussion. The leaders felt that the admission of "straight" Jews would keep out some homosexuals for fear of exposure; but it was decided nevertheless to leave the membership open, though the homosexuals will seek to maintain control.

The congregation now numbers 60 members (of both sexes) and is currently looking for an ordained rabbi who is a homosexual. They feel that however sincere a "straight" rabbi might be, their problems can only be really understood by another homosexual. Moreover, they say, the "straight" world has abused, cursed and rejected them — and the Jewish community has been no different from the rest. They do not want to join existing communities as that would mean "perpetuating the lie which accompanies their living in the 'straight' world" while to enter existing congregations as homosexuals would expose them to abuse and ridicule. They envision other such congregations in the U.S. and have already been contacted by similar Jewish groups elsewhere.

The existence of homosexual groups of this nature provides a challenge to Reform Judaism, according to Professor Norman L. Friedman of California State University writing in "Midstream." He notes that in 1970 a rabbi in New York "conducted the opening service for New York's new gay House of David and Jonathan'." The Jewish student movement and others interested in anti-establishment movements have to some extent taken up the cause of gay Jews. Thus a Jewish student newspaper called "Chutzpah" appearing in Chicago reported, "We recently had a gay Seder with about 25 attending. For some, it was their first Jewish experience since they were kids. The atmosphere was warm, drawing on a Jewish family feeling and gay friendship."

Friedman reports a series of interviews with members of the Los Angeles group who found that their congregation helped them fulfil a need for a Jewish social and religious centre with others of their kind. About half of them felt they would have "more in common culturally" with a Jewish rather than a non-Jewish partner.

While the group has been assisted by a local Reform rabbi, overall Reform opinion on the subject has yet to be fully tested and determined. Friedman feels there are three stages in the attitude to homosexuals: the first, complete condemnation; the second, viewing it as a sickness in need of treatment; the third as a morally neutral alternate life-style of sexual behaviour. His feeling is that the bulk of Reform attitudes could be subsumed under the second head and has not yet advanced to the third. He writes: "A gay temple currently might be tolerated out of sympathy or out of the motive that 'if they must be Jews, better to keep them isolated' but it is doubtful if most Reform Jews would accept the following account from "Chutzpah" of a lesbian union as really Jewish: 'Two delightful women celebrated their 19th anniversary together and the congregation surprised them with an anniversary cake at an Oneg Shabbat. Their faces lit up when they saw their union recognized and blessed in a Jewish house of worship." But ideas are changing rapidly and he predicts that gay temples could in the not-too-distant future become conventional and not-too-controversial members of the Reform organization.

But then if things move forward so rapidly, the understanding of the nature of the homosexual should be so unproblematical as to render any need for separate groups unnecessary. This would be more in the tradition of Judaism which has never welcomed separatist groups of any nature.

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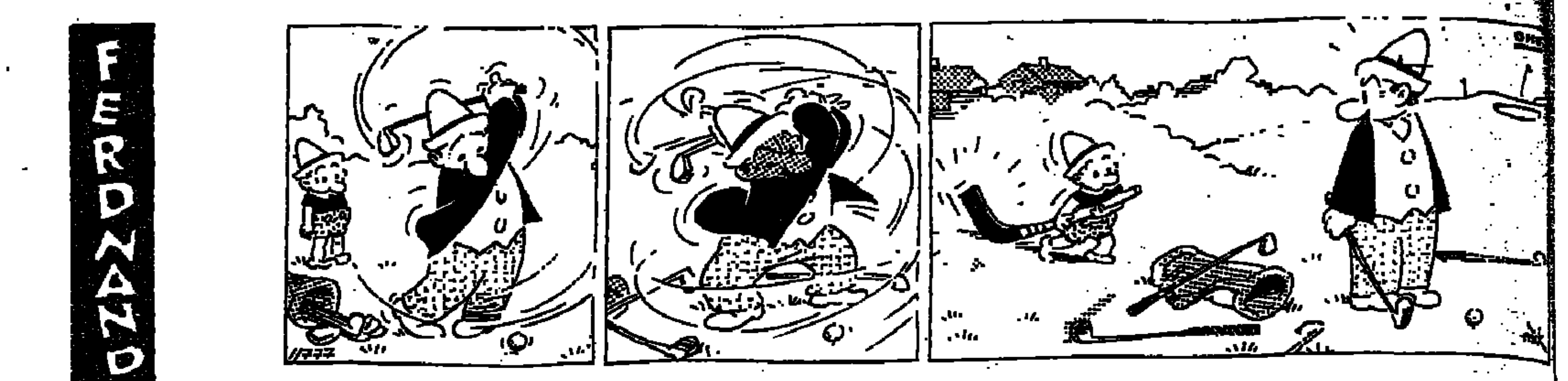

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A Stone in David's Tower. Sound and Light Show in Jerusalem. Every evening, except Friday. 7.30 p.m. in Hebrew; 8.45 p.m. in English. Additional show at 10 p.m. — Mon., Tues, Wed. Sat. in English. Sun., Thurs. in French. Tickets: Jerusalem agencies and Citadel box office (evenings). Please come warmly dressed.

JERUSALEM

Hadassah Tours.
1. Medical Centre at 9.30 a.m., 11 a.m., 12.15 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. Last tour on Friday at 12.15 p.m., Kennedy Building. No charge. Buses 19 and 27.
2. Morning half-day tour of all Hadassah projects. IL8.40 ($2 per person towards transportation and refreshments). By reservation only: Tel. 416333.

Hebrew University, conducted tours in English; weekdays at 9 and 11 a.m. starting from the lobby of the Administration Building at the Givat Ram Campus. Tours of the Mount Scopus campus at 11.30 a.m. from the lobby of the Truman Building. For further details call Public Relations Dept. Tel. 30211 ext. 725.

Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, Schneller Wood, Romema. Tel. 533822, 7.30 a.m. to dusk.

New Israeli Films: Latest Israeli Films screened weekdays at 12 noon at Keren Hayesod Hall, Jewish Agency Building, Jerusalem. Admission free.

THE KHAN THEATRE, opposite railway station. Folklore Evening of Song and Dance, with Inbal; Every Wednesday at 9 p.m.

TEL AVIV

Tel Aviv Museum, 27 Sderot Shaul Hamelech. Exhibitions Moshe Castel — Retrospective Exhibition — 150 works representing 45 creative years. Periods: "Miniatures," Paris landscapes, synagogues, Sephardic holy-days, calligraphy and Basalt. The works were gathered from private collections and museums in Israel, Europe and the USA. (Zacks Hall). Graphic Halls — Lovis Corinth: 120 drawings, etchings, lithographs, woodcuts. Eric Brum — Posters from Finland; the Museum collections.

Mayerhoff Hall — Israeli Art; Jagiom Hall — Impressionism. Hall No.3 — Surrealism, Post-Cubism: Haft Hall — Kinetic Art.

Helena Rubinstein Pavilion (6 Rehov Tarsat): OSIA HOFSTATTER — drawings and watercolors.
Sun, Mon, Wed, Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Tues 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 4 p.m.-10 p.m.
Fri. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Sat. 7 p.m.-11 p.m.

The Helena Rubinstein Art Library (New Building) open: Sun, Mon, Wed, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tues. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 4 p.m.-7 p.m. Fri. 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Ha'aretz Museum, Tel Aviv Museum Centre, Ramat Aviv. (1) Glass Museum; (2) Kadmon Numismatic Museum; (3) Ceramics Museum; (4) Museum of Science and Technology; (5) Museum of Ethnography and Folklore; (6) Alphabet Museum; (7) Nechushtan Pavilion; (8) Tel-Qasile Excavations: Open: Sun. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. 9.00 a.m.-4.00 p.m. Fri. 9.00 a.m.-1.00 p.m. Sat. 10.00 a.m.-2.00 p.m.

Special exhibition.
Glass Museum, Ramat Aviv, Glass from Scandinavia.

Museum of Antiquities of Tel Aviv-Yafo 10 Rehov Mifraz Schlomo. Open as above.

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• Tel Aviv University:
Free conducted tours in English of Ramat Aviv Campus daily (except Saturday). Assembly point at University 10.30 a.m. Public Relations Dept., Transportation — on Mondays and Wednesdays — from hotels: 9.40 a.m. Tadmor, Sharon, Accadia, Valldor, Samuel, Astor, Dan, Park Deborah, Adiv, 10 a.m. Sheraton, Hilton, Ramat Aviv, Ami Shalom, Basel. For further details, Tel. 416111, Public Relations Dept.

American Mizrahi Women's Organization 16, 18, Rehov Dov Hos, Tel Aviv, call Tel. 220187, 243106; Jerusalem 222648, 521608; Haifa, 64528, Beersheba, 3171.

National Religious Women's Organization: Mizrahi and Hapoel Hamizrahi Women in Israel, 166 Rehov Ibn Gvirol, Tel Aviv; Call Tel. 788942, 440316; Jerusalem, Tel. 30620, 35282 Mondays/Wednesdays guided tours through Neve Sara Herzog Complex, Bnei Brak.

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Wizo Tourist Club, 115 Rehov Hayarkon. Tel. 232939, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

• Canadian Hadassah-Wizo office, 116 Hayarkon. Tel. 227060 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Israel Wax Museum depicting the "Rebirth of Israel," Shalom Mayer Tower, Tel Aviv. Tel. 57304.

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CINEMAS

JERUSALEM

4.00, 7.00, 9.00

ARNON — The Ernie Game; CHEN — Papillon, 4, 6.45, 9.15; EDEN — Midnight Man; EDISON — Bloody Friday; HABIRAH — Alfredo, Alfredo, Till Divorce do us Part; JERUSALEM — Deliverance; 7,9; ORGIL — Cries & Whispers; ORION — A Touch of Class; ORNA — Black Belt Jones; RON — Pete 'n' Tillie. SEMADAR — Lady Sings the Blues, 6.45, 9.00.

TEL AVIV

4.30, 7.15, 9.30

ALLENBY — The Sting, 4.30, 7, 9.30; BEN YEHUDA — The Train; CINEMA ONE — Crazy Joe; CINERAMA — Sex in the Classroom; CHEN — Billy Two Hats; DEKEL — Serpico, 7, 9.30; DRIVE IN — The Howl of the Black Wolves, 7.15, 9.30; ESTER — Papillon, 4, 7, 9.30; GAT — Avanti, 6.30, 9.00; GORDON — L'Emmerdeur; HOD — Black Belt Jones; LIMOR — Night Watch; MAXIM — The Last Decameron; MOGRABI — Long Goodbye; OPHIR — Dillinger; ORDAN — La Nuit Americane, 3.30, 7.00, 9.15; ORLY — Les Galets D'Etretat; PARIS — Dr. Phibes, 10, 12, 2, 4; 7.15, 9.30; PEER — A Touch of Class; RAMAT AVIV — Le Grand Blond Avec Une Chaussure Noire, 7.15, 9.30; STUDIO — Don't Look Now; TCHELET — Harold & Maude; TEL AVIV — Sarit; ZAFON — Il N'y a Pas De fumee Sans Feu.

RAMAT GAN

7.15, 9.30

ARMON — Billy Two Hats; HADAR — Sarit; LILI — Gum Shoe; matinee at 4: Brave Detective Schwartz; ORDEA — 40 Carats; OASIS — Live and Let Die, 4, 7, 9.30; RAMA — The Two Faces of Love; RAMAT GAN — Blume in Love.

HERZLIYA

DAVID — Sarit, daily except Tues., 7, 9.15

PETAH TIKVA

SHALOM — Sarit, 4, 7.15, 9.30.

HAIFA

4.00, 6.45, 9.00

AMPHITHEATRE — The Bridge on the River Kwai, 6, 9; ARMON — The Don is Dead; ATZMON — Papillon, 4, 6.30, 9.15; BEIT ROTHSCHILD — The Iron Mask, Sun, 9; Cabaret, Mon., Tues., Wed.; Les Bonnes Causes, Thurs., 8.45; CHEN — Live and Let Die, 4.00, 6.45, 9.00; MIRON — None But the Brave, 6 nonstop perfs.; MORIAH — The Way We Were; ORAH — Alfredo, Alfredo, Till Divorce do us Part; ORDAN — Splendour in the Grass; ORION — The Erotic Daughter; 6 nonstop perfs.; ORLY — Scorpio; RON — Il N'y a Pas De Fumee Sans Feu; PEER — Charley Varrick; SHAVIT — A Touch of Class.

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WEDNESDAY

ARRIVALS: El Al 132 from Teheran, 0025; Air France 197 from Hong Kong, Bangkok, Bombay and Teheran, 0350; TWA 811 from Bangkok and Bombay 0420; Alitalia 738 from Rome, 1225; Olympic 301 from Athens, 1250; TWA 800 from N.Y. and Paris, 1340; El Al 004 from N.Y. 1420; TWA 810 from Boston, Paris and Rome, 1530; Air France 162 from Paris 1550; El Al 348 from Zurich, 1620; KLM 525 from Amsterdam, 1650; TWA 840 from S.F., N.Y., Rome and Athens, 1700; Sabena 201 from Brussels, 1725; Cyprus Airways 302 from Nicosia, 1735; Swissair 330 from Zurich, 1805; El Al 410 from Bucharest and Athens, 1906; El Al 334 from Brussels, 1950; El Al 446 from London, 2000; BA 484 from London, 2035; El Al 448 from Paris and Munich 2125; El Al 444 from Marseilles and Rome, 2135; Air France 130 from Paris and Nice, 2150; El Al 582 from Istanbul, 2315.

DEPARTURES: Air France 197 to Paris, 0505; TWA 811 to Rome, Paris and Boston, 0540; El Al 341 to Paris, Montreal and N.Y. 0630; Swissair 331 to Zurich, 0700; TWA 841 to Athens, Rome and N.y., 0710; El Al 347 to Zurich, 0720; TWA 803 to Paris and N.Y., 0730; Lufthansa 637 to Frankfurt, 0750; El Al 001 to N.Y. 0800; KLM 526 to Amsterdam, 0810; Austrian 712 to Vienna, 0825; El Al 447 to Munich and Paris, 0835; Air France 133 to Rome and Paris, 0850; El Al 445 to London, 0900; El Al 409 to Athens and Bucharest, 0920; BA 483 to London, 0925; El Al 333 to Brussels, 0945; El Al 445 to London, 1020; El Al 443 to Rome and Marseilles, 1040; Alitalia 739 to Rome 1310; Olympic 302 to Athens, 1335; TWA 810 to Bombay and Bangkok, 1640; Air France 162 to Teheran and Bombay, 1700; Cyprus Airways 302 to Nicosia, 1820; El Al 581 to Istanbul, 1845.

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ON THE AIR

HEBREW NEWS AND NEWSREELS

1st Programme: News: Every hour on the hour, except 1 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m. and 7.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: News: Every hour on the hour, except 7 and 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m. and 11.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: Every hour on the hour. Newsreels: 8.05 a.m. 12.05 and 5.05 p.m. and 12.05 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME

236, 522 and 221 M.

7.55 a.m. Opening 8.05 "Morning Concert" Mahler: Symphony No. 4 (Concertgebouw — Solti). 9.05 Orlando di Lasso: Canzonetta; Beethoven: Rondino for Winds; Mendelssohn: Quartet, op. 13; Ravel: Sonatina (Katz). 9.55 English News. 10.05 Rimsky-Korsakov: Capriccio Espagnole; Dvorak: Cello Concerto (Rostropovich). 10.55 French News.
11.00 Ivrit La'am.
11.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 12.35 Mendelssohn: Songs without Words (Daniel Adni). 1.05 Midday Concert — C.P.E. Bach: Cello Concerto (Tortilier); Nilsen: Symphony No. 2.
2.05 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — "Bettering your knowledge." 3.30 Guidance for teachers. 3.50 Book Review. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.05 Arturo Toscanini. 4.55 English News. 5.05 Wind Bands. 5.35 Musical Quiz.
5.53 French News. 6.05 "People and Figures" 6.30 "The World of an Adult." 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light music. 7.30 Bible Reading: Tehilim, chaps. 77 and 78.
8.05 Tel Aviv Piano Quartet — Mozart: Divertimento, K. 563; Dvorak: Piano Quartet.
10.05 "The Story of a File."
11.02 "My Concert." 12.05 A Moment of Poetry. 12.08 Close Down. 1.05-5.00 Songs and Tunes. 5.05-8.00 Same as second programme.

SECOND PROGRAMME

457, 423, 256, 353 and 340 M.

5.05 a.m. Hebrew songs. 5.55 Religious service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.25 Hebrew songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements. 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Names and Events in the Headlines. 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.). 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.05 This is Ehud Manor. 3.52 Names and Events in the Jewish Scene. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.05 "Songs from the Big Screen." 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 "Songs from the Big Screen" (cont.). 5.05 Find the Link. 5.50 Light Music. 6.05 "Songs from Father's Home." 6.45 Today's sport. 9.05 "I'm a new Oleh." 9.30 Jazz. 10.05 "Till Midnight in Jerusalem" — with Eliyahu Sloim. 11.05 "Tonight." 11.20 "Till Midnight" (cont.). 12.05 "A Night of Stars." 1.05-3.00 Songs and Tunes.

FIFTH PROGRAMME

6.58 p.m. Opening. 7.00 News. 7.25 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR

757, 423, 256, 249, 335 and 340.5 M.

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian; 8.45 Russian. 9.00 Close Down.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

5.30 News. 5.32 My Friend Flicka. 5.58 Songs. 6.00 Cartoons. 8.00 Nanny and the Professor. 8.30 Mabat. 9.00 "America" — Documentary. 9.50 "Susan Slept Here" — film. 11.25 News.
Educational: 8.15 Maths. 5. 8.40 A Game so Words 7-9. 9.05 Maths. 8. 10.00 English 9. 10.35 English 7. 10.45 Story. 11.05 Biology 9. 11.35 English 8. 12.00 Algebra 10. 12.20 Geometry 8. 1.00 Art. 1.20 Science 7. 1.40 Literature 7-8. 2.10 Technical Drawing 9. 4.00 For Kindergarteners. 4.25 English. 4.45 Electricity.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 Programme for Youth. 7.00 Poetry. 7.05 "Visiting Card." 7.27 Programme review. 7.30 News.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
9.55 a.m. (1st programme);
1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
4.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme);
10.00-10.45 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
10.55 a.m. (1st programme);
2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
5.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme);
12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).
1st Programme — 256, 322 and 221 M.
4th Programme — 407, 455 and 292 M.
3rd Programme (short waves) — 16, 19, 25, 31, 32, (?) and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL

5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning tunes. 7.[illegible] Programme trailer. 8.05 Zahal's newsreel. 8.30 Morning tunes (cont.). 9.05 Requests.
9.55 "Pocket Torch."
10.05 Requests. 10.55 With Uri Sela. 11.05 Warm and Tasty — Regards. 11.55 "Armies of the Nations." 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 p.m. Warm and Tasty 1.30 "Who Wins and Who Loses." 1.55 Announcements. 2.05 "Two till Four" — with Mani Peer. 4.05 Hit Parade. 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.[illegible] Tunes for everybody — greetings. 6.05 "Discussion" "a Kibbutznik and the City."
7.05 "Noah's Ark." 8.05 Concert. 9.05 The Skies Remained Clear — "the Air Force during the Six Day War." 10.05 Tonight with Yaakov Agmon. 11.[illegible] Midnight Talk. 12.05 Zahal's Diary. 12.30 Night Birds with Puina Bat Zvi. 3.05 Tunes in the night.

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EASY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Faith (5)
6 Publish (5)
9 Happy (7)
10 Small piece (5)
11 Undergarments (5)
12 Musical note (5)
13 Made irate (7)
15 Skill (3)
17 Collar fastening (4)
18 Gusto (6)
19 Implore (5)
20 Mistakes (6)
22 Remit (4)
24 Fishing accessory (3)
25 Splits (7)
26 Horse (5)
27 Took illegally (5)
28 Gem stone (5)
29 Ask (7)
30 Multitude (5)
31 Angler's basket (5)

DOWN

2 Modern (6)
3 Frightened (6)
4 Spinning toy (3)
5 Sedate (5)
6 Asked (7)
7 Stalked (4)
8 States (6)
12 Dinners, perhaps (5)
13 Flower (5)
14 Protect (5)
15 Pointed at a target (5)
16 Dull heavy sounds (5)
18 Swift (5)
19 Make believe (7)
21 Cad (6)
22 Vocalist (6)
23 Stinging plant (6)
25 Hesitate (5)
26 Killed (4)
28 Curved line (3)

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Lift a broken slate (5)
6 Hits on the wrist? (5)
9 Naval hero, expert swimmer (3-4)
10 Race around the club for something to read (5)
11 Indicates literacy? (5)
12 Terry sounds like Sandy (5)
13 With which to sign oneself sheepishly? (3-4)
15 It's undesirable in rumba dancing (3)
17 Insular little place (4)
18 Bright, but mostly not sunny (6)
19 Bloodthirsty circus performers (5)
20 Beastly article on Milan, possibly (6)
22 Slight insult (4)
24 Name shortened the French way (3)
25 Informative bank employees? (7)
26 Shifted not a foot—as the horse did (5)
27 Vessel mostly of tin (5)
28 Girl you could eat? (5)
29 Keep going till finally dismissed? (4, 3)
30 Strengthened the moustaches? (5)
31 Spirit of TV? (5)

DOWN

2 Land on two feet (6)
3 The rising of a smell? (6)
4 Allow to rent! (3)
5 Put anywhere at all (5)
6 Arrange escorts for barrow-boys (7)
7 One that counts (4)
8 Game enthusiast's colour? (3-3)
12 Dismally undersized (5)
13 Cyclist's sole means of propulsion (5)
14 Absent without money? (3, 2)
15 It's bound to be good reading (5)
16 They can easily make white lilac (5)
18 Made things hot (5)
19 Clown of the big top? (3-4)
21 State river with some dams (6)
22 Hustle around as a detective (6)
23 Heavenly fun-centre managed by us (6)
25 Beside the decimal point? (5)
26 Only a fish (4)
28 Hearing-aid out of favour (3)

Monday's Easy solution:

ACROSS. — 3. Greet. 8. Metre. 10. Light. 11. Tea. 12. Wiser. 13. Stepped. 15. Verse. 16. Pea. 19. Sedate. 21. Certain. 22. Lied. 23. Anti. 24. Selects. 26. Master. 29. Nut. 31. Sweat. 32. Screams. 34. Style. 35. Nip. 36. Grate. 37. Adder. 38. Erode.

DOWN.—1. Petty. 2. Trapped. 4. Raid. 5. Eleven. 6. Tired. 7. Chest. 9. Tee. 12. Weather. 14. Per. 16. Rains. 17. Eerie. 19. Silence. 20. Plums. 21. Cease. 23. Attends. 24. Setter. 25. Cur. 27. Aware. 28. Taste. 30. Impel. 31. Slid. 33. Aid.

Monday's cryptic solution

ACROSS.—3. Slice. 8. Sat-in. 10. Hell-O. 11. But. 12. Anger. 13. Nib lick. 14. Wisps. 18. (tennis) Ace. 19. Dee-pen. 21. Fre-TT-ed. 22. Work. 23. Talk. 24. An-Dover. 26. Castle. 29. Dan. 31. Ethel. 32. Sent off. 34. Reims. 35. Pat. 36. Fling. 37. Pekes. 38. Serge.

DOWN.—1. Ca-bi-n. 2. Titlark. 4. Link(s). 5. Chewed. 6. E'er-i-e. 7. Slope. 9. Tub(but). 12. Ace-tone. 14. Ice. 16. Spear (mint). 17. Snake. 19. De-odes. 20. Twice. 21. Fresh(man). 23. Tent-peg. 24. Al-leg-e. 25. Van. 27. A-toll. 28. Terns. 30. Often. 32. Smug(rev.). 33. O-z-K

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON FRIDAY

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هكذا من الاصل

BUSINESS & FINANCE

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Mart prices rise

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Although the stock market opened on a mixed note yesterday, towards the end of trading the prices not only became firm, but also began to rise. The turnover was IL3,372,500; of this, IL1,139,300 was in the variables.

Mizrahi gained one and then four to 195.5 (144,000 turnover); IDB remained firm at 232 (60,000); Bank Leumi also remained firm, at 265 (193,000); Tefahot ordinary gained one in the variables to 293 (23,000); Hassneh gained two in the variables to 273 (14,000); Delek registered gained 2.5 to 202 (26,000); Electricity gained 0.5 and then two to 84 (112,000); ILDC bearer lost one but then gained 0.5 to 198.5 (54,000); Rassco preferred gained 3.5 but then lost 0.5 to 110 (56,000); Ellern Investment gained five to 220 (25,000); Elgar lost 3.5 but then gained four to 122 (23,000); Mizrahi Investment lost one then gained 2.5 to 136 (61,000); and Hadera Paper (which went "ex" after declaring a 10 per cent bonus) yesterday rose by 8.5 in the variables to 305 (27,000).

Index-linked bonds fell slightly. The turnover in bonds was IL11,146,700.

The Natad Dollar gained two to IL4.82 when $291,000 was demanded; some $316,000 was supplied.

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DEBENTURES			
LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
5% Dead Sea Junior	r	239.5	238.5
6% Electric Corp A	r	132	131
6% Electric Corp B	r	146	144.2
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Elita 1965, Index 110.1	b	320	320
Bitahon 1968, Series 41	b	137	140
Bitahon 1969, Series 41	b	261	262
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otsar Hityashvut	r	295	—
I.D.B. pref.	r	283	283
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	232	232
Union Bank	r	304	304
Israel British Bank	b	334	334
Discount Bank "A"	r	570	570
United Mizrahi Bank	b	195.5	190.5
Bank Hapoalim — 10%	b	297	297
Bank Leumi "A"	r	265	265
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	281.5	281
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	193	199.5
Bank Binyan	b	260	260
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	295	295
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	206	198
Tefahot 8%	b	292	292
Tefahot	b	283	282
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 3%	r	68.5	68.8
Hassneh Insurance	b	273	271
Sahar — "C"	b	357	351
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	80.6	81
Delek C	r	202	199.5
Cold Storage—IL10	r	229	206
Israel Electric Corp.	r	84	81.5
Lighterage & Supply	r	190.5	187.5
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Azorim	r	195	200
Africa Israel 10	r	356	356
Isr. Land Dev.	b	198.5	198
Solel Boneh 10%	b	151	152.5
Property & Build.	r	290	290
Isras	b	184.5	184
Mehadrin	r	196.5	197.5
I.C.P. for Citrus	b	99	100
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	182	182
Neot Aviv	r	98	99
Pri Or Ltd.	r	189.5	190.5
Rassco—5%	r	110	107
Rassco—O.	r	81	81
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	476	485
Elco—2.5	b	111	114
Electra—5	r	247.5	250
"Argaman"—8%	b	370	371
"Ata"—C	r	139	139.5
Dubek	b	468	468
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	222	226.5
Teva	b	1161	1161
Chem. & Phosphates	r	114	116
Lewin Epstein	b	70	69
Moller Textile	r	332	223.5
Phoenicia—8%	b	118	120
Paper Mills	r	305	329
Assia "B"	r	248	248
Nechushtan	b	514	514
Shemen—8%	b	188.5	188.5
"Taal" Plywood	b	255	254
Elite (A)			
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES		332	331
Elgar	b	122	118
Ellern	b	220	215
Israel Central Trade	r	206	206
Bank Hapoalim	b	235	235
Paz	b	108	108
Wolfson IL10	b	113	108
Arapa	r	130.5	130.5
Discount Bank	b	261	261
United Mizrahi	b	136	134.5
Bank Leumi	r	243	243
Piryon Investment	r	113.5	110.5
Hassuta—For. Trade	r	115	115
Export Bank	b	83.5	83
Clal Investment	r	210	208
Clal Industries	r	196.5	196.5
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	90.5	92
Lapidoth OTC	r	178	178

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HIGH INFLATION MAY FORCE DEVALUATION

IT has been said that there are more serious anomalies in our economy than the rate of exchange of the Israel pound. This may be so, but continued rampant inflation forces us once again to consider the possibility of an early devaluation.

The Israel pound was last devalued just under three years ago, from IL3.50 per dollar to IL4.20. Since then, price movements have again created a rather wide disparity between the dollar and the Israel pound. Inflation here since October 1971 may be estimated to have expanded to 68 per cent, whereas in the United States prices went up less than 20 per cent on the average in the same period. Thus the Israel pound today may be said to be about 40 per cent overvalued in terms of the U.S. dollar.

There is, however, much more to say about our rate of exchange. The dollar itself has suffered a serious setback since the end of 1972 in terms of some European currencies. If we take the German mark, the strongest currency available in today's world market as our guide, we find that the mark moved up no less than 40 per cent in dollar terms during the first six months of 1973. In the second half of last year this "mark premium" dwindled to less than 20 per cent. It reached a low of 13 per cent in January 1974, but more than doubled again to over 30 per cent in May.

Notwithstanding these movements, price rises in Germany differed little from those occurring in the United States during the period October 1971 — May 1973, and may be estimated at a little less than 20 per cent, perhaps 18 per cent. In October 1971, GM100 were priced at IL125. Today the amount of consumer goods one could buy in Germany in October 1971 for GM100 cost 118 marks. In Israel IL125-worth of goods, bought in October 1971, today cost IL210.- The purchasing power rate of exchange calculated on that basis is 178 or only a little higher than the official rate of 170. This is far less than in the United States.

If we make the same calculation for England, France and Holland, we find that the purchasing power of the Israel pound is overvalued in terms of sterling by about 40 per cent, in francs by about 30, while the overvaluation in guilders is in line with that of the German mark. These calculations are based on the assumption that the rate fixed in October 1971 was a correct one.

This high overvaluation of the Israel pound in the important British, American and French markets against the much lesser increases in the German and Dutch markets is due to the substantial appreciation of the currencies of the latter countries in terms of dollars, sterling, and French francs. The curious fact remains that despite the strong appreciation of the German mark and the Dutch guilder the price levels in these countries have also risen considerably. Inflation is rampant everywhere, but our rate of inflation has for the last three years been at least twice as high as that of our principal markets. In the meantime our rate of exchange has remained stable in terms of the United States dollar. It has undergone almost no change when calculated in sterling and has dropped by roughly only 14 per cent in terms of French francs. Admittedly the drop in terms of German marks and Dutch guilders has been considerable, between 25-30 per cent, but this has been more the exception than the rule.

The development of the purchasing power of a currency is not the only criterion by which an exchange rate can be judged. But a state of affairs in which most currencies depreciated in purchasing power on an average of, say, 10 per cent per annum, whereas our monetary unit depreciated from 20 to 25 per cent per annum, cannot be allowed to continue indefinitely. It is high time to consider whether a readjustment is not desirable. Whether this would be politically possible is, of course, another question altogether.

J. VOET

Lilienblum devaluation rumour

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Another devaluation rumour hit Lilienblum Street yesterday, and most prices, except for gold and silver, rose slightly. The rumour was given added credence this time since the diamond merchants, who often sell their spare dollars in Lilienblum, yesterday began withholding them. Moreover, the installation of a new Finance Minister no longer means that he is bound to the former Finance Minister's oft-repeated promise that there would be no devaluation.

Yesterday's prices: $100 banknotes, IL4.90; smaller banknotes, IL4.85; dollar checks, IL4.60; DM, IL1.93; Dutch florin, IL1.73; French franc, IL0.93; Swiss franc, IL1.62; pound sterling, IL11.20; Sovereign, IL245; kilo of silver, IL980; kilo of gold, IL25,600; three-piece anniversary set, IL4,100; two-piece set, IL1,500; Krugerrand, IL880; Ben-Yehuda ordinary, IL50; Ben Yehuda proof, IL100; set of mint coins, IL16. (Tourists are warned that selling or buying foreign currencies through any but authorized banks is considered a violation of the law).

WALL STREET Closing Tuesday, June 4, 1974

Another sharp gain

NEW YORK (AP). — Hopes for lower interest rates carried the stock market to its second sharp gain in a row yesterday.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, which jumped 19.09 on Monday, was up nearly 10 points shortly before the close yesterday.

Gainers maintained a wide 9 to 2 lead over losers on the New York Stock Exchange.

Big board volume was heavy at the outset but slowed considerably in later trading.

The rally got going on Monday when the First National Bank of Chicago lowered its prime lending rate from 11.75 to 11.60 per cent. Late the same day a smaller St. Louis bank cut its prime from 11½ to 11¼.

Brokers said these reductions — the first after a rapid rise in the key interest rate since mid-March — gave the market a strong psychological lift. But they said many investors were still cautiously watching for more definite proof that a peak had been reached in money rates.

Airco Inc	11¼	Colum Pict	2⅜	Int Paper	45	Revere Cop	9⅝
Alcan Alu	28⅛	Con Edis	7½	Int T & T	21¾	Reyn Ind	44⅞
Allied Ch	40¾	Cont Can	24⅝	John Man	16⅞	Reyn Met	19⅞
Allied Str	24¾	Cont Oil	37⅛	John Joh	117½	Rockwell Int	26⅝
Allis Chal	8¾	Cont Tel	14	Jon Lau	18⅛	Royl D	25⅝
Alcoa	48⅛	Cont Data	39	Kais Alum	18⅜	Russ Tog	9⅛
Am Airlin	9¾	Corning	87½	Kenn Cop	36¼	Safeway	40⅛
Am Bdcst	25¼	CPC Intl	30	Koppers	46	Schering	69¾
Amer Can	28⅞	Crane Co	24⅛	Libb O Fd	26	Scott Pap	15⅛
A Cyan	20⅞	Crown Cork	18¼	Liggt My	28⅞	Sears Roe	85
A Home	42½	Crwn Zell	31⅝	Litton Ind	7⅝	Shell Oil	50
A Mtl Clx	41	Dan River	8⅛	Lockheed	5	Singer Co	33¼
Amer Mot	6⅜	Deere Co	40⅝	LTV Corp	10⅛	Smits KF	58⅛
A Smelt R	22⅝	Dist Seag	—	Macy RH	15⅝	Sony	21½
Am Stand	14¾	Dow Chem	66¼	Magnovox	5	South Ry	43
Amer T & T	46¼	Dress Ind	44	Mfrs Han	34	Sperry Rnd	39⅛
AMF Inc	17⅝	Dupont	163¾	Marath	33¼	St Brands	52⅝
Ampex	3½	East Airlins	6⅝	Marcor	26¼	St Oil Cal	28¼
Anaconda	22	E Kodak	110⅝	Marsh Fd	21	St Oil Ind	83⅝
ASA Ltd	76	Eaton	27	Martin Mar	16⅛	St Oil Oh	60⅝
Atl Rich	91⅜	El Paso NG	12⅛	Matsush	16½	Sterl Drug	25⅝
Avco	5	ESB	20⅝	McDon D	15⅝	Stu War	26¼
Beckman	29½	Esmark	28½	Merck	81	Sun Oil	36⅝
Bell How	18¼	Exxon	75⅝	Minn MM	75¼	Teledyne	18½
Bendix	28⅞	Fair Cam	46⅛	Mobil Oil	43⅝	Tenneco	31¼
Benguet	3⅛	Firestone	18½	Monogm	6⅛	Texaco	26½
Beth Stl	30⅛	Flmor Cp	38⅝	Monsan	67⅞	Texas Gulf	37½
Boeing Co	17¼	Fd Fair	6⅞	Moor McCor	16¾	Texas Instru	103⅞
Bois Cas	15½	Ford Mot	52⅝	Morgan J	59½	Textron	18½
Borg War	18½	Gen Dynam	24¼	Nabisco	34¼	Transwair	10⅝
Braniff	11	Gen Elect	49⅛	Nat Cash R	14¾	TriCon	20⅞
Brist My	51⅝	G Fds Corp	23⅞	Nat Distil	35⅛	TRW Inc	15⅛
Brunswick	15½	Gen Mills	52¼	Nat Indust	13¼	Twent Cent	6
Burl Ind	22	Gen Mot	51⅞	Nowest Air	25⅝	UAL Inc	28⅝
Burroughs	104⅞	Gn Tel El	22⅞	Occ Pet C	9⅝	Unil Ltd	—
Camp Sp	30⅝	Gen Tire	14⅜	Olin Corp	17⅞	Unil NV	41½
Cdn Pac	15	Genesco	5⅝	Otis Elev	35⅜	Un Carbide	42⅝
Canal R	12	Georgia	38½	Owen Ill	41⅞	Unit Aircraft	8¼
Castle Cke	12¼	Getty O	104½	Pac Gs El	22⅝	Uniroyal	27
Cater Tr	63½	Gillette	33⅛	Panam W A	3⅜	Unit Brands	6⅝
Celanese	40¼	Goddric	21½	Penn Centrl	2⅛	US Indust	6⅜
Cerro Cp	32	Goodyr	17	Pepsi Co	59	US Steel	43⅛
Chase Manh	16⅝	W R Grace	34⅝	Pfizer	86⅝	US Tobac	15
Chem NY	40¼	Grt A & P	12⅝	Phelps D	36⅝	UV Ind	22⅝
Chessie Sys	37⅛	Gulf Oil	30½	Phil Morr	59¼	War Lam	30⅞
Chrysler	45⅛	Gulf Wn	24	Phil Petro	51	Wells Far	18¼
Citicorps	17	Hew Pack	89	Polaroid	39⅞	Wn Un	17⅞
Cities Svc	37	Honeywel	69¼	Proct GM	97¾	Westg Elec	16⅛
Coca-Cola	37⅞	Howmet	13¾	Qukr Oat	34¾	Weyerhs	39
Colg Pal	110½	IBM	230½	Rabystos M	44⅝	Woolworth	15¼
CBS	37	Int Harv	26	Ralston P	17	Xerox Co	118⅝
Colu Gas	21⅝	Int Nickel	28⅝	RCA	16⅞	Zenith Rad	22⅝

Paper-cutting: Chinese art exhibit here

One of Linda Yeh's works at Tel Aviv exhibit.

PAPER-CUTTING is a form of Chinese art unknown in Israel, but a young Taiwanese woman is now introducing it here in an exhibition of 33 of her works.

Judging from the interest shown by the visitors, this art-form of pictures cut out of paper with scissors may take hold here. The show opened last Thursday in the entrance hall of the Sourasky Library of Tel Aviv University and will run till June 9.

No less an attraction at the opening was the artist herself, Linda Yeh, who teaches Chinese at the university.

It was my first view of this art since I emigrated from China in 1948 and the works shown are simply top class. Each item is a delight to the eye.

Linda says she is a newcomer to the art, having begun it a few months ago when asked by Claudia, her 9-year-old daughter, to produce "something Chinese" for a fair at the Jaffa Tabitha School which the child attends. Her cuttings were sold out and she then decided to continue paper cutting. The idea for the exhibition was first suggested by Dr. Avraham Ronen, head of the Art History Department of the university.

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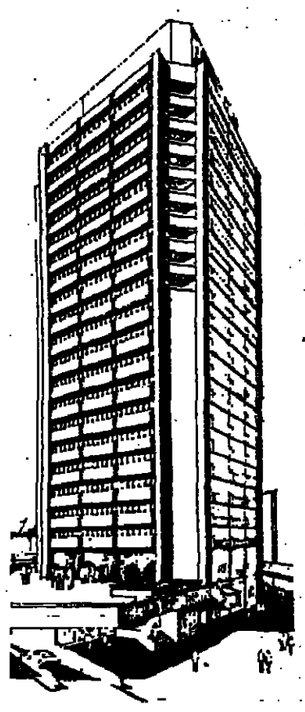

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French Fr.	4.8840/90	per $
Lire	643.50/644	per $
Belgian Fr.	38.00/07	per $
Dutch Fl.	2.6530/60	per $
Yen	282.30/283.20	per $

Gold price: $153/155

FORWARD RATES

	1 Mo.	3 Mos.	6 Mos.
£/$	2.3925/40	2.3808/25	2.3515/35
DM/$	2.5155/85	2.5040/70	2.4940/75
Sw.Fr./$	2.9655/705	2.9535/600	2.9390/475

Please note these are the rates as quoted to us from London.

BRIDGE • by GEORGE LEVINREW

BREAKING A SQUEEZE

LAST summer at Monte Carlo two of our top Junior bridge stars received acclaim for an unusual play. They played this deal against two French internationalists.

N-S Vul

Avi Mark
North
♠ 8 5
♡ K Q J 10 9 7 4 3
◇ — — —
♣ J 6 5

Leon Tintner
West (D)
♠ A 6 2
♡ 6
◇ A K Q 10 9 6 4
♣ Q 3

Jose Le Dentu
East
♠ J 9 3
♡ A 8 5
◇ J 8 5
♣ A 10 8 2

Samuel Lev
South
♠ K Q 10 7 4
♡ 2
◇ 7 3 2
♣ K 9 7 4

The contract was 6 ◇ by West.

The opening lead was the ♡ K won by the Ace in dummy. A high ◇ was led winning the trick. A switch was made to a ♣ from dummy. South played low. If South had won the trick with the K declarer would subsequently have won three ♣ tricks allowing him to discard two losing spades from his hand.

West won the ♣ lead with the Q and in turn switched to a ♠. The 9 was played from dummy and South won with the 10. At this point would you make the obvious play of the ♠ K? Were you to do so the declarer would finally reach this end position:

North
♠ — — —
♡ Q
◇ — — —
♣ J 8

West
♠ 6
♡ — — —
◇ 6
♣ 3

East
♠ — — —
♡ 8
◇ — — —
♣ A 10

South
♠ K
♡ — — —
◇ — — —
♣ K 9

West would lead the last ◇. North would have to discard a ♣. East could now release his ♡, and South would be forced also to let go a ♣. Declarer would win the last two tricks with good clubs, making his contract.

But Lev made the unusual defensive play at trick five of a low ♣ with North's J forcing the Ace in dummy. This broke the squeeze. There was no way for the declarer to avoid the loss of another ♠. It is rare indeed both to foresee a squeeze in the offing and then to prevent it by breaking the opponents' line of communication. Note also that had North made the unnatural opening lead of a ♠ the squeeze would not have been possible.

BRIDGE CALENDAR

Coming Events

Tel Aviv, June 5, 12, and 19. Yoram Brander Cup Tournament at the Dukes Club. Swiss teams, 8.00 p.m., advance registration necessary.

June 7, 8. Second Round of the Semi-finals of the Open Pairs Championship.

Results

Haifa, Shavuoth Cup, two rounds, score in Victory Points: 1. Mrs. Gad-Margalith 130; 2. Wasserman-Stadlan 127; 3, 4. Mrs. Reichenstein-Lamberg and Ga. Gelperin 126.

Weekly Duplicate Games, 8.00 p.m. Ashkelon — Monday, Thursday: Museum. Beersheba — Monday, Thursday: Beit Ha'am.

Haifa — City: Monday, Thursday: Beit Hagefen. Central Carmel: Sunday, Wednesday: Beit Rothschild. Neve Sha'anan: Tuesday, Beit Abba Khoushi. Herzliya B — Tuesday: Hotel Sharon. Jerusalem — Wednesday: Diplomat Hotel. Kiryat Haim — Tuesday: Beit Negler. Kiryat Tivon — Sunday: Beit Habistadrut. Netanya — Monday: Orly Hotel, Thursday: Wizo Hall. Pardes Hana — Sunday: Wizo Hall. Rehovot — Monday: Masonic Hall. Savyon — Sunday: Avia Hotel. Tel Aviv — Wednesday, Thursday: Dukes Club.

NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS

We are in the season of the year when the national sports programme is concentrated on the National Open Pairs Championship, the National Women' Pairs Championship, and the contests of the National League Team of Four and the League A Team of Four. For a period of three months beginning in May there are no open National Tournaments taking place on week-ends.

In the national championships and the teams of four contests very few players participate. Our national roster of well over 1,000 duplicate players is surely entitled to one open national tournament each month. Why cannot such a programme be arranged so that it will not interfere with championship events?

Study begins on air policy and tourism

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Tourism Ministry has ordered comprehensive research into the influence of Israel's civil aviation policy on the development of tourism. The study, conducted by two internationally known agencies, is already under way, it was disclosed by the Minister for Tourism Moshe Kol.

Mr. Kol was addressing the Knesset Finance Committee during its discussion of the Tourism Ministry's 1974/5 budget. He said the study would be completed in time for the Government's deliberations, expected later this summer, on future aviation policy. It is understood that one aspect to be considered is the current ban — with a few exceptions — on charter flights.

The Tourism Minister told the Committee that the scope of tourism to Israel was greatly influenced by the aviation policy. He said the study would deal in detail both with the effect of cheap group flights organized by airlines to various holiday resorts and with the real contribution of charter operations.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CONDITION

	December 31, 1973 IL.	December 31, 1973 $	December 31, 1972 IL.	December 31, 1972 $
Assets				
Cash and due from banks	340,880.043	81,161,915	265,092,366	63,117,230
Investment securities:				
U.S. Treasury	36,401,996	8,667,142	36,635,231	8,722,674
Other U.S. government agencies	96,726,433	23,030,103	102,383,795	24,377,094
States and political subdivisions	109,081,501	25,971,786	114,374,652	27,232,060
Other	8,731,556	2,078,942	7,265,042	1,729,772
Total investment securities	250,941,486	59,747,973	260,658,720	62,061,600
Federal funds sold	31,500,000	7,500,000	8,400,000	2,000,000
Loans:				
Commercial	827,391,104	196,997,882	719,469,063	171,302,158
Instalment	375,674,410	89,446,288	294,355,925	70,084,744
Real Estate	276,872,803	65,922,096	250,061,566	59,538,468
Total loans	1,479,938,317	352,366,266	1,263,886,554	300,925,370
Receivable from direct lease financing	8,197,762	1,951,843	—	—
Direct lease equipment	—	—	2,896,123	689,553
Bank premises and equipment	23,574,058	5,612,871	21,663,600	5,158,000
Customers' liability on acceptances	5,940,833	1,414,484	1,229,983	292,853
Accrued interest income	30,896,011	7,356,193	21,582,548	5,138,702
Other assets	11,893,930	2,831,888	12,373,523	2,946,077
Total Assets	2,183,762,440	519,943,438	1,857,783,417	442,329,385

	IL.	$	IL.	$
Liabilities, Reserve and Capital				
Liabilities:				
Demand deposits	560,992,669	133,569,683	564,654,565	134,441,563
Savings deposits	142,146,640	33,844,438	167,342,948	39,843,559
Other time deposits	1,025,705,230	244,215,531	821,120,559	195,504,895
Deposits — foreign branches	207,574,038	49,422,390	106,595,521	25,379,886
Total deposits	1,936,418,577	461,052,042	1,659,713,593	395,169,903
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	17,022,398	4,052,952	48,703,750	11,596,131
Other borrowed funds	13,127,070	3,125,493	1,434,422	341,529
Unearned discount	56,697,518	13,499,409	46,314,080	11,027,162
Acceptances outstanding	5,940,833	1,414,484	1,229,983	292,853
Accrued interest	21,199,870	5,047,588	10,406,424	2,477,720
Other liabilities	5,206,782	1,239,710	4,075,936	970,461
Total liabilities	2,055,613,048	489,431,678	1,771,878,188	421,875,759
Reserve for loan losses	23,629,288	5,626,021	18,449,142	4,392,653
Capital accounts:				
Capital notes	14,700,000	3,500,000	15,750,000	3,750,000
Stockholder's equity —				
Common stock, $3.33⅓ par value; 2,654,094 shares authorized (1,176,004 in 1972), 2,654,094 shares outstanding (1,154,094 in 1972)	37,157,316	8,846,980	16,157,316	3,846,980
Surplus	37,974,216	9,041,480	16,974,216	4,041,480
Undivided profits	14,688,572	3,497,279	18,574,555	4,422,513
Total stockholder's equity	89,820,104	21,385,739	51,706,086	12,310,973
Total capital accounts	104,520,104	24,885,739	67,456,087	16,060,973
Total Liabilities, Reserve and Capital	2,183,762,440	519,943,438	1,857,783,417	442,329,385

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NIXON'S VISIT

THE Government's announcement that it was pleased to welcome President Nixon and Mrs. Nixon on their approaching visit has given expression to the genuine feeling of many Israelis who value Mr. Nixon for the forthright stand he has taken in world affairs, and affairs in the Middle East in particular.

One is bound to be well aware of the many reasons behind this unprecedented trip to the Middle East. First and foremost is the desire to deepen and strengthen the American presence in a number of Arab countries and to strengthen ties only recently restored. There is also the important interest in demonstrating to the Soviet Union that the Middle East is not an exclusive Soviet sphere of influence, and that Russia will have to accustom itself to the growing American presence.

The visit is also a reminder to Western European nations. Some of them have engaged in bi-lateral agreements with Arab nations in what became known as "arms for oil" deals, arrangements that irritated Washington and widened the growing gap between Europe and the U.S.

The President will also visit Saudi Arabia and will probably attempt to ensure a steady flow of oil. He must have such assurances in order to help him fight inflation and steady the sagging American economy, the second most serious domestic problem after Watergate. Mr. Nixon will also want to thank those Arab States who have helped Dr. Kissinger achieve the Israel-Syria separation-of forces-agreement, giving the President another, much needed achievement in the field of foreign policy.

It would be simplistic to claim that the visit is taking place merely to offset the adverse position in which the President finds himself at home as impeachment charges in the House of Representatives approach and he is deeply entangled in a series of court debates concerning incriminating tapes and memoranda. Even successes abroad will make little difference to the President's fortunes at home, but they continue to be of the greatest significance to the nations he will visit in the Middle East. Ten days ago Mr. Nixon asked the Congress for considerable sums in foreign aid for the nations in the Middle East. His visit in some Arab capitals is therefore likely to be accompanied by promises of economic and military aid, aimed at reinforcing pro-American sentiments there.

Israelis, for their part, will certainly not be inclined to forget the fact that the White House was open to Golda Meir, Abba Eban, Itzhak Rabin and many others, who came to seek military, political and economic aid for Israel, and who did not go away empty-handed.

To all those who question the motives of the Presidential visit at this time, the words of Former Premier Golda Meir are apt: "He has kept every word he gave us." The long-standing friendship between Israel and America goes deeper than the relationship with any President. We shall greet President and Mrs. Nixon as they pay us the most important state visit we have had since Israel's independence.

LAST STATEMENT WENT BEYOND RESOLUTION 242

No further EEC overtures to Arabs

By JACK MAURICE

BRUSSELS. — The Common Market's loudly trumpeted moves to launch a wide-ranging dialogue with the Arab countries are still a dead letter, seven months after the Nine's much publicized endorsement of their cause.

It was last November that the Market's foreign ministers issued their controversial statement here, which went beyond the provisions of the U.N. Security Council Resolution 242 and called for a total Israeli withdrawal from the territories don during the Six Day War.

The Common Market initiative was followed by the summit of nine heads of state in Copenhagen, at which Arab diplomats showed feverish activity. But the Common Market failed to extract any relaxation of the curbs on oil deliveries to Holland, which is still the target of an embargo penalizing its pro-Israeli stance.

Then came the crisis between the Market and the U.S. over Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's insistence that the Americans should have their say in future cooperation between the Europeans and the Arabs. European, and particularly French, tempers were inflamed. But their anger soon cooled.

Now the long-awaited conference between the Market and Arab countries, over which the late President Georges Pompidou had hoped to preside, still shows no signs of being convened. The Europeans are so engrossed in their own domestic and continental problems that at Common Market headquarters here, it is easy to imagine the Middle East does not exist.

The only serious step taken in recent months is a proposal by the EEC's Executive Commission to contribute IL40m. to the cost of educating Palestinian children. But this proposal has yet to be approved by the nine partner governments of the community.

The EEC Executive is asking member countries to take over the 1974 operating costs of post-primary education for refugees as forecast by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (Unrwa). EEC plans to give IL72m. worth of food aid to the refugees through Unrwa this year.

The disengagement agreements signed between Israel and the Egyptians and Syrians seem unlikely to provide any new impetus for cooperation between the Common Market and the Arabs. Like the negotiations wtih Israel, the EEC's trade talks with the Arabs are at a standstill pending settlement of the Community's internal problems, notably the crisis over Britain's demand to renegotiate its terms of membership.

France's new President Valery Giscard d'Estaing has promised he will adopt a more even-handed attitude towards the Middle East than his predecessors. But France's partners have not yet forgotten its behaviour at the Washington Energy Conference in February at which France demonstrated its concern for guaranteeing continued French oil supplies even at the cost of depriving its neighbours.

No progress in organizing productive contacts between the Market and the Arab states has been made since West German Foreign Minister Walter Scheel was authorized by his eight colleagues here in March to carry out this mission.

Scheel, as President of the EEC's Council of Ministers, was asked to invite all Arab countries to name representatives to begin talks with him and his aides. If these talks had proved successful, the two sides would have set up a joint working group to discuss the possibility of more formal cooperation.

The third and final phase would have been a ministerial conference between Europeans and Arabs within a year. This programme appears to have been postponed indefinitely — and certainly until the Geneva Peace Conference on the Middle East, which will not meet until the autumn, shows enough progress to justify new contacts between the Nine and the Arabs.

WITH PREJUDICE — ALEX BERLYNE

YOUNG MEN AND MAGNIFICENT FLYING MACHINES

The Red Baron selected flaming coffins

ROUND our way you went solo by jumping off the coalshed roof holding the family umbrella. When the agony had abated you hobbled off determined to concentrate in the future on scale model building.

Now and then we'd construct hot-air balloons, based on Montgolfier's 1783 version, and send cargoes of beetles and other creepy-crawlies aloft. We'd bone up on Colonel Cody's man-carrying kites but could never manage to build anything more powerful than one which would carry aloft a lead soldier before becoming entangled with the telephone wires. Only the dirigible was clearly beyond our means, experiments with filling containers from the gas-oven having proved useless, but we were fascinated by the enormous craft, particularly after the ill-fated R. 101 flew over our street on its way to its disastrous rendezvous with a French hill-side.

There seems to be some lobbying going on at the moment, especially by ecologists, for the reintroduction of the airship as a mode of transport and the latest edition of "Jane's Freight Containers" says the U.S.S.R. is working on a nuclear-powered airship. Apart from the unhappy fate of the Zeppelin "Hindenburg," there is ample evidence from the German raids on England during World War I of the inherent instability of these machines. Consider, for example, the fate of L.50 which set off in 1916 to bomb London. High winds drove her off course until she was flying over the trenches in France. Evading ground fire, she sheared off part of her forward

The Red Baron

gondola on the treetops and finally drifted out to sea. Her last sighting was far out over the Mediterranean and she's never been heard of since, though one day she'll undoubtedly provide a fine puzzle for marine archaeologists.

We were all mad about World War I aviation and the local cinema supplied us with an endless supply of fuel for our dreams of glory. The most lasting influences were "Wings," starring Buddy Rogers, Richard Arlen, a surprisingly youthful Gary Cooper and, as a sort of irritating distraction, Clara Bow; "Hell's Angels," with Ben Lyon and Jean Harlow (producer Howard Hughes managed to kill off four stuntmen during the making of this epic); and, perhaps the most archetypal, "The Dawn Patrol." This was a sort of cliche anthology. The stiff-upper lip of Richard Barthelmess, the C.O., trembled a bit every time he erased the name of one of his fallen pilots from the duty roster — it was clear he was a nervous wreck from sending beardless youths out to die at the hands of the fiendish Huns who were equipped with far superior machines. Occasionally his self-control would crack for a moment and he'd cry "Why, it's sheer murder to send a mere boy up in a crate like that!"

His pilots, among them Douglas Fairbanks Jr., would drown their anxieties in drink and rough horseplay, occasionally taking off for brief leaves in gay Paree where there were, apparently, lots of cheerfully acquiescent mademoiselles and American nurses. Gallantry was the keynote of the air duels and references to knighthood and chivalry abounded.

The great tradition has been revived recently in such films as "The Blue Max," and a spate of new novels: Derek Robinson's "Goshawk Squadron," Arch Whitehouse's "Squadron 44" and Frederick Smith's "A Killing for the Hawks." Even the "Peanuts" comic strip has got into the act.

There is a germ of truth in all this hokum. One of the Royal Flying Corps' greatest aces, "Billy" Bishop, tells in his autobiography, "Winged Warfare," of a German observation plane nicknamed "the flying pig" whose crew was so clumsy and inept that it was a point of honour with Bishop's squadron not to shoot it down. Another character, who rivals anything in Mallory's "La Morte d'Arthur," was Major William Barker, who once tackled *single-handed* some 60 German planes. He shot down four of them and, though badly wounded, managed to fight his way free. The German ace Oswald Boelcke made a point of wining and dining captured enemy fliers and visited the wounded in hospital. He wasn't doing too well himself at the time. During one six-week period in the autumn of 1916 his twelve-man *Jagdstaffel* had six killed, one badly wounded and two others collapsed from battle fatigue. On the other hand, in March and April of 1917 German superiority in aeroplane design was such that British casualties were almost 100 per cent.

So much for the legend and the individuals who contributed to it. In general, however, aerial warfare was mainly cold-blooded slaughter and the best example of how it worked is to be found in the short and deadly career of the man who became the greatest legend of them all, Manfred von Richtofen, the Red Baron.

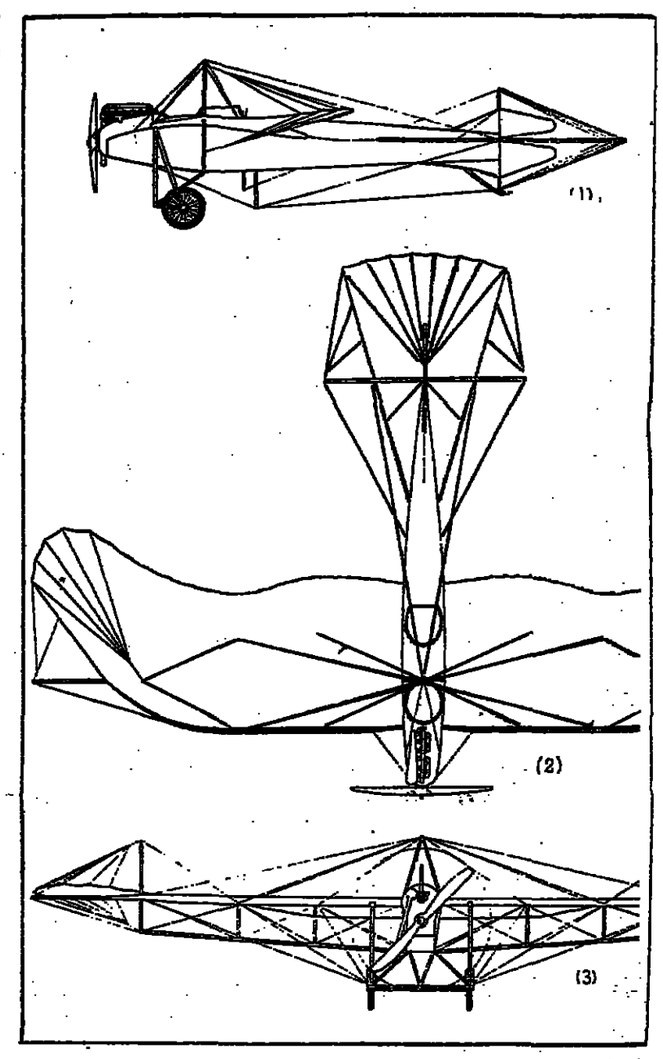
More than three-quarters of his 80 kills were slow, comparatively helpless, two-seater observation planes, the "flaming coffins" of the R.F.C. He always sought combat under the most favourable conditions, with the sun behind him and with the advantage of height and numbers. The Richtofen legend was based to a large extent on the stealthy stalking of his outclassed prey, a quick burst of machinegun fire at its blind spot and extreme caution about his own safety. He was the antithesis of a man like Barker yet his name has endured while his chivalrous opposite number is largely forgotten.

In the end, his all-red Fokker Triplane fell victim to a burst of machinegun fire from the ground. Typically, he was stalking a novice pilot at the time, Lieutenant Wilfred May of 209 squadron.

Groups of fans all over the world study the German ace's career and collect souvenirs of the Red Baron. One of the most single-minded fans is an American, P.J. Carisella, of Wakefield, Mass., who has an enormous collection of Richtofen memorabilia, including parts of his equipment, relics of his famous red plane and, at one time, even bits of the Baron himself.

An old comrade-in-arms of the German ace lives in a quiet Jerusalem street. Richard R., now a handsome, lean 81, transferred to the Imperial German Air Force early in World War I after a brief stint as an artillery officer (von Richtofen was originally an ensign in an Uhlan regiment). He was soon flying a single-seater Rumpler Taube over the Verdun salient.

Designed by a Bohemian, Igo Etrich, the Taube was first put through its paces in 1910, when it proved superior to competitors entered at various shows by the Wright Brothers, Bleriot and Voisin. Surprisingly enough, its aerodynamics were based on the Zanonia seed, which floats about in Java and which had inspired a monograph by a Hamburg professor, Friedrich Ahlborn, who must surely be the original of all those mad scientists who crop up in movies from time to time. The Taube's wings, which were literally bird-shaped, lacked ailerons and a complex of wires warped them to provide the necessary stability. The total effect was of a combined bird and birdcage. If you saw those weird contraptions shaking themselves to pieces in "Those Magnificent Young Men in Their Flying Machines" you'll get the idea.



Plan, profile, and elevation of the 1914 model Taube.

Nevertheless, to all intents it was the world's first warplane, with a top speed of 115 kilometres per hour and a ceiling of 3,000 metres. During the opening weeks of the war, one used to bomb Paris with such Prussian dependability that it was known as "the six o'clock Taube."

Lieutenant Richard R. would cruise over the cauldron of Verdun, tapping out his reports to the German artillery on a Morse key, occasionally dropping a bundle of hand grenades over the side at French troop concentrations or taking a pot shot with his pistol at any French plane which approached too inquisitively.

The almost transparent Taube was so lightly balanced that he literally flew it by the seat of his pants and to this day he recalls with pleasure the sheer joy of flying in a small craft with the wind in his hair and the smell of the castor oil lubricant in his nostrils. His flying career came to an end when, like von Richtofen, he was hit by machinegun fire from the ground.

Not long ago he was taken to an Israel Air Force base and sat in the cockpit of a Phantom. "It was just a machine," he told me sadly. "It meant nothing to me. But if I could get back into the cockpit of a Taube, I'd love to fly again."

In the 1914-18 war, the French accorded the title of "ace" to any pilot who had scored five victories, while the more conservative British and the "correct" Germans demanded 10 kills. I suggest the Ministry of Transport award the title to Israel drivers who distinguish themselves on the road. A couple have recently proved themselves deserving of the *Pour le Mérite* decoration (the Blue Max) for following in the footsteps of von Richtofen: the chap who killed four people in Kiryat Ata in March and the likely lad who slaughtered five moshavniks on the Nahshon road last Friday morning.

Not even the Red Baron racked up five victories in one day.

READERS' LETTERS

TERRORIST OBJECTIVES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Recent terrorist operations have the following overall objectives: 1) To cause the Israeli population to lose faith in their Government's ability to protect their lives and interests on a national and international level; 2) To cause internal dissension between Jews and minority groups; 3) To create general panic among the Jewish and non-Jewish population and destroy their morale and purpose. In short, to deprive the State of its capacity to rationally cope with the current critical situation.

Relative to these political military objectives, liberating 20 or even 100 imprisoned terrorists is a clearly secondary objective. At the moment, the imprisoned terrorists offer a convenient excuse for terrorist attacks, but other justifications could well replace it, e.g. revenge for fallen or executed comrades. Or, the terrorists could hold hostages in order to obtain contributions from the Israeli Government to finance the freeing of "occupied Palestine."

The idea that the application of the death penalty to terrorists in the expectation that it will frustrate terrorist operations is a dangerous illusion. It is just a form of hysteria which the Arab nations and terrorists have tried so long to incite.

VICTOR FRIEDLANDER
Rosh Pina, May 23.

Death penalty

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The last few days have borne witness to a rising demand to reinstate the death penalty. I believe that this would be a mistake.

Re-establishing the death penalty will not prevent terrorist activities. We often forget that terrorists are not likely to think very rationally. In their view, their death will ensure them a status of honour and recognition — a very desirable type of immortality. Also, since the release of currently imprisoned terrorists is only a side issue and not the main goal of these murderers, the absence of imprisoned terrorists will not enhance our safety. Moreover, if a mandatory death penalty is reinstated for terrorist activities, we are actually encouraging the terrorist to kill as many people as possible, since he has nothing to lose after he kills his first victim. We will place him in a position where, if he surrenders, he will be no better off than if he has killed one or every hostage he could obtain.

BARBARA SHELTON
Ramat Gan, May 23.

Security measures

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In light of the recent tightening of security and other measures taken to counteract the Arab terrorist activities, the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel has undertaken an information and recruiting campaign in cooperation with the Police.

A special programme in English for all English-speaking immmigrants is being scheduled for June 10, at 8:30 p.m., at the Moadon Haoleh, 124 Hanassi Blvd., Haifa. A high-ranking police officer will discuss the security measures taken in light of the present situation. Also, volunteers will be registered for civilian guard duty. Those who qualify and volunteer will be assigned to armed guard duty in and around their neighbourhood. There are jobs available for non-Hebrew speakers as well. It is still not clear whether Temporary Residents will be allowed to participate and detailed information will be given at the briefing on June 10.

MOSHE YAROSKY
Executive Director
Haifa Region AACI
Haifa, May 29.

Scapegoats

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Thank you for Moshe Kohn's viewpoint of May 26. He expresses so adequately a viewpoint I have developed during the past five months while I have been privileged to live in Israel as a professor on sabbatical leave and also privileged to teach at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

There is yet another Biblical reference to which you may wish to hearken. Leviticus 16:8 includes the word "Azazel" which many scholars claim is an initial reference to scapegoatism. This symbolical act of confession and cleansing and sacrifice was intended for atonement. Instead it has been used for punishment — for others. Intended to be a mirror it has become a one-way window.

Symbolically, Azazel was a means of expiation, and through it a refuge for the contrite. Instead, we humans often deport to it as refugees those whom we deem responsible for our failure, those whose views we once upheld and now disown, those we hailed as saviours and now scorn as betrayers.

Some cry for charismatic political leadership as if to end their responsibility. Some shrug shoulders and vocalize a *beseder*. Neither action can substitute for what you require, individual commitment, be the case vehicular driving or national political survival and independence.

LOUIS H. GROSSMAN
Jerusalem, May 26.

DEMAGOGY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Moshe Kohn's article of May 26 oversteps all limits. The demagogic comparison between Arab terrorists and Israeli drivers and pedestrians is in the worst possible taste. Furthermore he concedes to the bereaved of Ma'alot the right to ask for the death penalty for terrorists, and is kind enough to allow "some sections of the public" to have the same opinion, but he demands that politicians think exactly like he does. Moreover, Mr. Kohn chooses to ignore that the arming of responsible citizens merely fills the security gaps caused by a lack of manpower, just as he chooses to ignore the fact that there is a difference between drivers who cause accidents and Arab murderers.

NATHAN WILKENFELD
Holon, May 26.

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